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'90-PLUS PER CENT TRACKS IN INDIA SUBSTANDARD': AFI SPOKESPERSON

Athletics Federation of India spokesperson and World Athletics VP Adille Sumariwalla said running tracks in India are substandard. A look...

'WORLD ATHLETICS NOT HAPPY WITH QUALITY'

According to Sumariwalla, the AFI met World Athletics in Tokyo last year where World Athletics Championships took place. WA said that tracks in India did not meet set standards. "WA has called us and said 'you need to get involved.' They showed us some data, which was quite shocking," Sumariwalla said in a press conference on Saturday | **P17**

'GENUINE VENDORS' TO BE LISTED SOON

- Former Indian sprinter claimed that at places, tire rubber is used instead of polyurethane and it is painted on top. He went on to add that they will get 'destroyed' thanks to wear and tear
- Vendors responsible for bringing material are 'fly-by-night.' AFI to prepare list of genuine names who can provide good material

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NUMBER OF 'CLASS-1' WORLD ATHLETICS - CERTIFIED TRACKS IN INDIA

CHENNAI ▪ MADURAI ▪ VIJAYAWADA ▪ BENGALURU ▪ KOCHI ▪ HYDERABAD ▪ VISAKHAPATNAM ▪ COIMBATORE ▪ KOZHIKODE ▪ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ▪ BELAGAVI ▪ BHUBANESWAR ▪ SHIVAMOGGA ▪ MANGALURU ▪ TIRUPATI ▪ TIRUCHY ▪ TIRUNELVELI ▪ SAMBALPUR ▪ HUBBALLI ▪ DHARMAPURI ▪ KOTTAYAM ▪ KANNUR ▪ VILLUPURAM ▪ KOLLAM ▪ TADEPALLIGUDEM ▪ NAGAPATTINAM ▪ THRISSUR ▪ KALABURAGI

PM seeks forgiveness from all women of the country as bill to expedite quota fell in LS

Oppn will pay for its women's bill 'sin': Modi

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday berated the Congress-led Opposition for what he called was their 'big sin' of rejecting the Constitutional amendments to operationalise the 33% women's quota in the Lok Sabha the previous day. He said the women of the country would not forget how the Congress and its allies like the DMK, Trinamool Congress and Samajwadi Party opposed the legislation aimed at advancing women's representation in legislative bodies.

His address to the nation came ahead of assembly elections in two Opposition-held states, West Bengal and Tamil Nadu, where the ruling TMC and DMK were among those that voted against the amendments.

Launching a broadside against the Congress, Modi accused the party of being anti-women and opposed to reforms in the nation-building process. "The Congress inherited the British legacy of divide and rule and spread the canard of North-South divide. They opposed Article 370, triple talaq, PM Jan Dhan Yojna, Aadhaar, digital payments, GST, reservation for the economically weaker section in the general classes and many other efforts made in the larger interest of the nation," he alleged.

The PM also criticised the Congress' stance on delimitation, alleging it was fuelling divisions. He said the government had consistently clarified that no state's proportional representation in Parliament would be affected, yet the Opposition refused to relent.

Describing the Congress, TMC, DMK and SP as dynastic parties, he alleged they resisted the bill out of fear of losing control within their organisations and preventing women outside their families from rising to leadership. "Nari Shakti Vandan Amendment was the need of hour and we made an honest effort to ensure balanced empowerment across the North, South, East and West. But the Congress, which is a parasite on regional parties, spiked them," the PM charged. He accused the Opposition of committing the political crime of opposing amendments aimed at expediting the implementation of the reservation for women in Parliament and state assemblies.

He said, "A woman forgets everything, but not her insult; this insult by Congress and its allies will always remain in every woman's heart." **P11**

The opposition has committed a sin by opposing women's reservation, and they will surely be punished for this. Opposition parties have insulted our Constitution by defeating the bill

Narendra Modi, prime minister

PIC: SHEKHAR YADAV

What happened yesterday was a very significant victory for democracy. The government's conspiracy to alter the federal structure and weaken democracy was defeated and stopped

Priyanka Gandhi-Vadra, Cong gen secy

INDIA bloc for quick rollout of the 2023 Act

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

A day after the historic defeat of amendments to the women's quota bill in Parliament, the opposition INDIA bloc decided to push for the immediate rollout of the Women's Reservation Act, 2023, within the existing framework of the 543-member Lok Sabha, while also seeking to counter the BJP's narrative to portray the Opposition in a negative light.

At a meeting chaired by the Leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha, Mallikarjun Kharge, on Saturday, top leaders of the alliance agreed that each constituent party would independently push for the implementation of the Act, while also continuing to raise the issue in public to hold the BJP accountable.

The meeting was also attended by CPP leader Sonia Gandhi, NCP (SP)'s Supriya Sule, Shiv Sena (UBT)'s Sanjay Raut, CPI(M)'s John Brittas, and CPI's P Sandosh Kumar, among others. It was decided that parties in the INDIA bloc will hold press conferences across the country and stress that they support women's reservation, adding Parliament had already passed the bill in 2023. By introducing three new bills, they said the government was trying to change the political map of the country under its guise.

At a press conference after the meeting, Congress general secretary Priyanka Gandhi underlined that the Opposition was not against reservation for women and would support the Women's Reservation Act, 2023, if the government sought to implement it on the current strength of the Lok Sabha.

Congress MP Manickam Tagore said Prime Minister Narendra Modi has to clarify when the government will implement the Act. "For the PM, it was a face-palm moment after he failed in pushing through a Constitutional amendment," said Tagore.

While there were suggestions among the parties to hold a joint press conference of the INDIA bloc or write a joint letter to the PM demanding implementation of quota for women in the existing framework immediately, leaders said the upcoming elections in Tamil Nadu and West Bengal may pose a hurdle for such joint action. "INDIA bloc parties will continue with the coordination on this issue, and we are confident that we will be able to do it adequately. A joint letter to the PM may be prepared soon," said a leader. **P11**

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS

RCB's Virat Kohli (19 runs) and Phil Salt (63 runs) during the Royal Challengers Bengaluru vs Delhi Capitals match at Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru on Saturday. DC, chasing a target of 176, defeated RCB in the last-over thriller | **KEVIN NASHON | P17**

Soon, common man's drink to cost 20% more

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

THE maximum retail price (MRP) on the common man's alcohol -- whiskey, rum, gin and brandy -- in Karnataka will soon increase by at least 20%, with the government issuing a draft notification to bring in a new tax structure that will tax the content of alcohol in beverages. Higher the content of alcohol in Indian Made Liquor (IML) made in Karnataka, higher will be the tax on it once the amendment comes into effect.

IML in the state is sold in slabs depending upon the MRP. The first four excise slabs, which till now are with the lowest MRP and meant for low-income group consumers, now stand to become more expensive. The average alcohol content in this segment of IML is 42.8v/v. These four slabs contribute 80% towards the excise revenue. From Rs 80 per 180 ml (nip) the price last year went up to Rs 95 per nip. It will now cost between Rs 105-110 with AIB taxation.

The government on Saturday issued draft notification to amend a more than six-decade-long alcohol taxation policy and usher in 'Alcohol-in-Beverage' (AIB)-based excise duty structure. With amendment to Karnataka Excise (Excise Duties and Fees) Rules, 1968, the state will become the first in India to introduce excise duty based on AIB. Though this rule is prevalent in the western countries, this is the first time an Indian state has moved to change the tax structure from volume based (per bulk litre) to actual alcohol content in beverages.

The new tax regime, which will come into play phase wise following the amendment, will increase the MRP of alcohol sold in the first four Excise slabs (the cheapest, with 42.8% alcohol v/v), while bringing down the cost of premium alcohol in the top slabs like Scotch (bottled in origin with 40% v/v). Prices of mild beer (less than 5% v/v) may face lower taxes. **CONTINUED ON: P5**

Govt's grants for courts 'peanuts', says SC judge

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THE government allocation for judicial infrastructure is "peanuts" compared to the revenue courts generate, said Supreme Court Judge, Justice Arvind Kumar, addressing Chief Minister Siddaramaiah here on Saturday.

He raised concerns over inadequate funding and delays in approvals for judicial infrastructure and staffing, while speaking at the 22nd biennial state-level conference of judicial officers with its theme "Reimagining the judiciary in the era of AI", organised by the Karnataka State Judicial Officers' Association.

Justice Kumar acknowledged the state government's support, but stressed that critical gaps persist in infrastructure creation, including court buildings and residential facilities for judges in districts. **P6**

Weed out corrupt judges, says Justice Nagarathna

To preserve the integrity of the judiciary, strict action should be taken against judicial officers who fall prey to greed and such individuals must be "weeded out of the system", said SC judge, Justice B V Nagarathna | **P6**

Maritime insurance pool to protect cargo amid conflict

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

AS the war in West Asia disrupts oil and gas supply—partly due to reduced vessel movement linked to insurance constraints—the government has approved the creation of the Bharat Maritime Insurance Pool (BMI Pool) with a sovereign guarantee of ₹12,980 crore.

The government said the objective of the insurance pool is to ensure uninterrupted and affordable marine insurance for India's shipping sector, while also reducing dependence on foreign insurers, particularly the International Group of P&I Clubs, which dominate the maritime insurance market. The war has led to many shipowners halting operations. Some insurers have become unwilling to provide coverage due to heightened risks.

According to the government, the BMI Pool will function as a collective of Indian insurance companies working together to provide marine insurance.

Union minister Ashwini Vaishnaw said public sector reinsurer General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC Re) will act as the administrator of the pool. GIC Re will contribute ₹400 crore, while public sector general insurance companies will chip in ₹280 crore, with the rest coming from private insurers and oil marketing firms.

"The BMI Pool will cut down the cost of insurance premium by at least 25% as of now," Vaishnaw said. The pool will provide coverage for Indian-flagged vessels, Indian-controlled ships, as well as ships arriving in or departing from Indian ports.

POLLS GET NEARER

89L voters in GBA final list

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BENGALURU has 88,95,361 voters in the ward-wise voter list of five urban corporations under the Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA), said District Election Officer and Chief Commissioner M Maheshwar Rao.

Speaking to reporters after releasing the final voter list for the elections in GBA on Saturday, he said that the revised draft voter list was released on March 9.

The final voter list is being released after corrections and updates have been made.

"The revised draft voter list for the GBA municipal corporation elections includes 45,71,169 males, 43,22,557 females and 1,635 other voters, for a total of 88,95,361 voters, and 8,023 polling booths will be set up," he said.

Out of the total 369 wards under the GBA jurisdiction, Ward Number 51-Subramanyapura of Bengaluru South Municipal Corporation will have the highest number of voters, with 53,660 voters. Ward number 24-Vignan Nagar of Bengaluru East Municipal Corporation will have the lowest number of voters, with 12,897 voters. The final voter list has increased by 2,833 voters. **P2**

US EXTENDS SANCTION WAIVER ON RUSSIAN OIL TILL MAY 16

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

WITH the war continuing in West Asia, the United States has extended its waiver on sanctions for countries importing Russian crude by a month until May 16.

This is the second such relaxation since the escalation of the West Asia crisis, which has disrupted the global crude supply following the closure of the Strait of Hormuz.

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According to the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) under the US Department of the Treasury, Russian oil and petroleum products loaded onto tankers—including those under sanctions—on or before 12.01 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time (9.31 a.m. IST) on April 17 can be purchased and received by most countries until May 16.

The previous waiver, issued in March, had expired on April 11. US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent had earlier indicated that the waiver would not be extended. However, the ongoing conflict in West Asia, which is now nearing two months, has significantly disrupted global crude and gas flows, prompting a reassessment. Russian crude is now expected to help offset supply shortages caused by reduced exports from Gulf producers. The US had also temporarily waived sanctions on Iranian crude imports for a month. This exemption set to expire on April 19.

As the world's third-largest crude oil consumer, India relies on imports to meet over 88% of its demand. Russia has emerged as India's top oil supplier since the outbreak of the Russia-Ukraine war. Despite criticism from the West that purchasing discounted Russian crude effectively funds the war, New Delhi has continued to purchase crude from Moscow.

EXPRESS READ

2% DA hike for Central government employees

New Delhi: The Union Cabinet on Saturday approved raisisng Dearness Allowance (DA) and Dearness Relief (DR) by 2%, benefiting about 50.46 lakh Central government employees and 68.27 lakh pensioners. Its impact on the exchequer would be ₹6,791.24 cr per annum | **P11**

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OPENING UP A NEW CHAPTER

For the visually impaired students of Kalyana Karnataka, Braille Resource Centre at the Central Library of the Central University in Kalaburagi is a boon, as the unit is helping them to become self-reliant

EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

RAMAKRISHNA BADSESHI

BRAILLE Resource Center at the Central Library of the Central University at Kadaganchi village in Kalaburagi has opened a new world for research scholars like Shrikant and Panyan Sai Vinayak. Shrikant, a student at Department of Kannada, and Vinayak, a student at the Department of Linguistics, say the has given them new sight.

Deepa, a Second Division Assistant (SDA) at Bengaluru Rural Court, says the Braille Resource Center has helped her complete her bachelor's degree. "CUK helped me in completing my graduation though I am blind. The Center not only provided the necessary study materials in Braille script, the teachers at the CUK helped me in studying the material and to appear for the exam," she says.

The Center was set up after the initiatives of then Vice-Chancellor of Central University, the late Prof. M Maheshwaraiah, and Librarian of the Central Library of the Central University, Prof. PS Kattimani.

Kattimani and Maheshwaraiah used to visit Pandit Puttaraj Gawai's Shree Veereshwara Punyashrama in Gadag frequently where they realized the struggles of the visually impaired in learning.

The Braille Resource Center was inaugurated by the then Chancellor of Central University of Karnataka, Prof. NR Shetty on October 28, 2018.

The objectives of the Center are to facilitate higher education of visually-challenged students by providing assistive technology to make them self-reliant and independent.

The Center also provides a resource ground for teachers and educationists to enhance their capacity to deal with students with visual disabilities.

Another objective of the Center is to create awareness among employers about possibilities of the students with visual disabilities if they are provided with assistive devices/software at workplace.

The Center also aims to facilitate their employability by providing a common platform for the visually challenged students and the corporate sector.

The Center also organises workshops and seminars for teachers to handle visually challenged students with hands on experience, etc.

At present the Center has basic facilities to serve the needy with ambition of having the best assistive technologies available for its visually challenged students with disability such as blindness and low vision studying in its post-graduate departments and to serve the student community.

The University intends to reach out to its visually impaired students to help them in higher education and enter the mainstream of society with self-confidence and dignity.

Gopal Dixit, Assistant Registrar, Central Library of CUK, used to provide technical support for converting regular text into Braille books and audio-books. Dixit said that the Centre has bought a Braille Index Basic-D V5 Braille Embosser, Lex Instant Reader and Scanner, NVDA audio software, and OCR Horizon (Multilingual) software. At the Center, regular text is converted into Braille and printed.

The Central Library of CUK has made books in various languages available in Braille and provides them free to the needy. In addition to Braille books, the library converts the same texts into MP3 format to create audio books using OCR Horizon software.

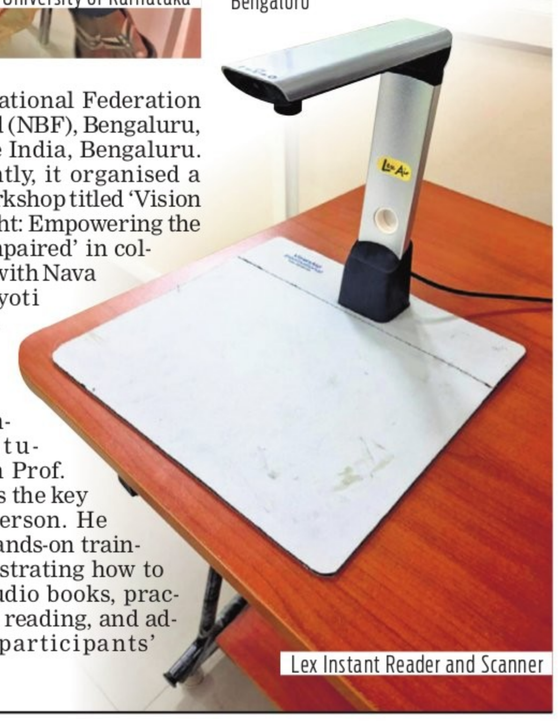
Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Battu Satyanarayana, said the university would continue the services to the visually impaired students across Kalyana Karnataka. The Center is in the process of signing MoUs with NGOs to expand services to the blind, Dixit said.

The library has conducted two workshops and trained 80 visually impaired students from Kalaburagi in association with the National Federation of the Blind (NBF), Bengaluru, and Enable India, Bengaluru. Most recently, it organised a one-day workshop titled 'Vision Beyond Sight: Empowering the Visually Impaired' in collaboration with Nava Kalyana Jyoti Janapara Vedike. This event trained 75 visually impaired students, with Prof. Kiran KT as the key resource person. He provided hands-on training, demonstrating how to listen to audio books, practice Braille reading, and addressing participants' doubts.

Dr PS Kattimani, Central University librarian

Visually impaired students being trained at a workshop conducted by the Central University of Karnataka

Deepa, who has been employed in Bengaluru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BNCC chief pulls up staff for skipping census duty

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BENGALURU North City Corporation Commissioner Pommala Sunil Kumar has issued show cause notices against staffers who were absent during the ongoing National Census-27.

Despite being assigned Census duties, 527 enumerators failed to report to duty. They had been issued the notices and directed to submit a written explanation by April 17. Following this, the commissioner issued 'dies-non' orders (unauthorised absence from work and no pay) against 53 enumerators. The commissioner also emphasised that the Census is a nationally significant duty, and any negligence by officials and staff will be dealt with strictly through legal and disciplinary action without any leniency.

"Against those who have failed to submit an explanation, stringent actions, including registration of a criminal case, suspension and other disciplinary moves, will be initiated," Kumar said.

WHAT THEY FACE:

Criminal case under Section **11** of the Census Act, **1948**

FIR under Section **223** of the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita

Suspension and disciplinary action as per service rules

Treating the period of unauthorised absence as dies-non (no work, no pay)

A photo shared by Forest Minister Eshwar B Khandre on his X account

Bannerghatta zoo gets four cheetahs from SA

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UNDER the animal exchange programme, the Bannerghatta Biological Park received a consignment of four (two males and two females) Cheetahs (Acinonyx jubatus) from Induna Primate and Parrot Park, in South Africa, on Friday night.

The Cheetahs reached Kempegowda International Airport at around 1.15 am on Saturday. They were received by the forest, environment and ecology department minister Eshwar B Khandre. After following all due clearance procedures, the animals were shifted to BBP.

The animals arrived in exchange for four Asiatic Elephants. The zoo is also receiving Capuchins, Cheetahs, Jaguars, Pumas and Chimpanzees. Of this, while the Capuchins and Cheetahs have arrived, the remaining will be received in 2026, BBP executive director AV Surya Sen said.

Sen said the animals are aged between 2 and 4 years, and they will stay under quarantine and close health observation for 30 days before they are shifted to their new enclosure for visitors to see.

He added that before transportation, the cheetahs underwent a thorough health check-up and quarantine in South Africa as per the prescribed guidelines of the Department of Animal Husbandry. Necessary No Objection Certificates (NoC) were obtained from the Animal Quarantine Services before import.

The BBP now houses a significant population of carnivorous animals, including 33 tigers (including white tigers) and numerous leopards.

All must work to manage waste: BWSML

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CHIEF Executive Officer of Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Limited (BSWML), Kareegowda, emphasised that effective implementation of the Solid Waste Management Rules-2026 in the city requires strong coordination among all stakeholders and active participation from citizens.

He addressed stakeholders after inaugurating a workshop held on Saturday, organised by BSWML under the Greater Bengaluru Authority (GBA) jurisdiction. The workshop was conducted for citizens, Resident Welfare Associations (RWAs), non-governmental organisations, hotel associations, and BSWML officials and staff to discuss the effective implementation of the new rules.

He appealed to citizens not to dump waste along roadsides or in vacant spaces and instead hand over waste to door-to-door auto tippers. He also urged residents to avoid mixing waste and to segregate it into wet and dry categories before disposal.

Gowda said that everyone must take responsibility to process and recycle waste at the source. Households, large residential complexes, and hotels must adopt measures to treat and reuse the waste generated within their premises.

He informed that meetings will be conducted across five city corporations with RWAs to provide guidance on managing large volumes of waste generated in major apartment complexes and said, "A new centralised online portal will soon be launched to ensure transparency and strengthen monitoring in waste management. This system will enable accurate reporting of infrastructure and daily operation," he said.

Chief Operating Officer Ramamani, in her address, explained in detail the responsibilities of citizens, Bulk Waste Generators, processing units, and various government departments through demonstrations.

She noted that the new Solid Waste Management Rules-2026 have been introduced by revising the 2016 rules to make waste management more efficient, scientific, and effective. Several key changes have been incorporated to strengthen the system.

MANDATORY SEGREGATION INTO FOUR CATEGORIES

To facilitate efficient disposal and promote recycling, all waste generators must now compulsorily segregate waste into four categories:

Wet Waste: Biodegradable waste

Dry Waste: Recyclable waste

Sanitary Waste: Waste from personal hygiene products

Special Care Waste: Waste requiring special handling during disposal

Responsibility of bulk waste generators

To ensure stricter compliance, a new framework called Extended Bulk Waste Generator Responsibility (EBWGR) is proposed to enhance accountability among large waste generators

Baptist's human milk bank completes 1 yr

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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BANGALORE Baptist Hospital (BBH) marked the first anniversary of its Human Milk Bank, celebrating a milestone in strengthening newborn care in the city, addressing the critical need in ensuring access to safe donor human milk for vulnerable infants.

Over the past year, 65 mothers have donated more than 200 litres of milk, benefiting over 155 small and sick newborns, with the numbers continuing to grow. Its impact has extended beyond the hospital, supporting more than 20 Neonatal Intensive Care Units (NICU) across Bengaluru.

"Human milk banks play a pivotal role in improving outcomes for preterm and low birth weight infants at heightened risk of infections and complications. Access to pasteurised donor human milk is known to reduce neonatal mortality and morbidity, aligning with global recommendations from the World Health Organisation (WHO) and national priorities set by the Indian Academy of Pediatrics (IAP)", said Director & CEO Dr Spurgeon.

He said that any mother can donate her excess milk. This simple act can make a meaningful difference to small, sick newborns admitted to NICUs. For enquiries and donor participation contact 94831 30743.

Baptist hospital staff pose for a photo during the first anniversary celebration of its Human Milk Bank in Bengaluru on Saturday

Wardwise voter list to be posted on GBA portal

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RAO said to enable voters to search their names in the wardwise voters list online by EPIC number or their name, the final voters list will be uploaded in PDF version on the GBA official website https://gba.karnataka.gov.in/home. The public can check and confirm whether their names have been included in the voters' list.

The chief commissioner said that registered and recognised political parties are requested to appoint one Booth Level Agent (BLA) for each polling booth in each ward and cooperate with the polling booth officials in the registration of all eligible voters. "If a name is not included in the final voter list, the name can be added to the supplementary lists. All necessary steps have been taken to include all eligible voters in the voter list and to prepare an error-free voter list," said Rao.

Helpline numbers

Central: 080-22975803
North: 080-22975936
South: 9480685704
East: 9480685706
West: 9480685703

Janatha Bank earns net profit of ₹ 11.45cr

BENGALURU: Janatha Co-operative Bank Ltd, headquartered in Malleshwaram with seven branches across various locations in the city, said the bank earned a net profit of Rs 11.45 crore for the financial year 2025-26. Bank president CL Marigowda said the bank registered total business of Rs 1,089 crore and earned a net profit of Rs 11.45 crore after deducting all statutory, business and administrative expenses and setting aside funds for income tax and other provisions. He said the net non-performing assets (NPA) have reduced to zero during this period. Vice-president Aravind B and Chief Executive Officer Vinoda Shivaramaiah said the bank's performance is a testament to the its financial strength.

Revamped Alliance Francaise library to open on Wed

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THE newly renovated library at the Alliance Francaise de Bangalore (AFB), a sprawling 2,500 square feet hall with 7,500 books in three languages – French, English and Kannada – will be inaugurated on Wednesday. The library was opened in 1980.

The library is named after French writer Simone de Beauvoir and has a dedicated room for quiet reading and research, as well as a newly created screening space dedicated to the famous Kannada writer SL Bhyrappa. Associating these two eminent writers from France and Karnataka is in the spirit of the Indo-French centre to build bridges between the two cultures, said Jean Marc Depierre, the director of Alliance Francaise de Bangalore.

French Ambassador Thierry Mathou will inaugurate the renovated library on Wednesday. On the same day, Campus France's new office will also be inaugurated. The office is part of the cooperation service of the French Embassy in India. Campus France guides and assists students interested in pursuing education in France, providing comprehensive information on study opportunities in France.

Chetan (30), a plantation labourer was attacked by a bison and pierced to death while he was working at Yamagonda Coffee Estate near Marasnge, Kalasa taluk in Chikkamagaluru. He suffered serious injuries in the chest and abdomen. Chetan did not respond to blood transfusions and treatment. Survived by his child and pregnant wife, the Forest Department announced a compensation of ₹20 lakh to his family

STAFF SHORTAGE

PHC officers piled on with more work, service to be hit

GAYATHRI M KURUP @ Bengaluru

MOUNTING vacancies in Karnataka's primary healthcare system are forcing frontline workers to take on multiple roles, with Primary Health Care Officers (PHCOs) now being asked to shoulder the responsibilities of Community Health Officers (CHOs), triggering concerns over workload, training gaps, and patient care.

In 2024-25, as many as 1,194 CHO posts remain vacant out of 6,780 sanctioned positions. At the same time, 2,949 PHCO posts are also unfilled, pointing to a wider human resource crisis at the grassroots level.

PHCOs, earlier known as Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (ANMs), are primarily trained in reproductive and child health. However, a recent order by the Department of Health and Family Welfare has directed district officials to obtain consent from PHCOs to take on CHO duties in centres where vacancies persist, instead of filling these posts.

Experts say the move reflects deeper systemic issues. "There is a clear mismatch of capacity and skills. CHOs are trained as mid-level healthcare providers focusing on non-communicable diseases, while PHCOs are trained mainly in maternal and child health. Simply transferring responsibilities is not a sustainable solution," says Dr Swathi SB, public health practitioner and member of Sarvatrika Arogya Andolana Karnataka (SAAK).

She added that the approach risks weakening the system further. "When both cadres themselves are understaffed, redistributing roles only increases pressure without strengthening healthcare delivery," she noted.

Mamit Gaikwad, State President, State CHO Union, strongly opposed the move. "CHOs are BSc Nursing graduates with a bridge course in community health, while ANMs undergo a two-year diploma focused on maternal and child health. Assigning CHO duties to PHCOs is not appropriate," he said. He warned that service delivery could suffer. "If one person is expected to manage OPD services, field visits and non-communicable diseases, it will definitely impact patient care," he said, adding that over 300 CHOs resigned last year and another 200-300 this year due to job insecurity.

From the PHCO side, concerns are equally strong. Chandrika Dammalli, State President, Karnataka State Primary Health Care Officer Association, said, "We are already managing multiple centres due to staff shortages. Now we are being forced to take on CHO duties without proper training. This will affect both our existing responsibilities and the quality of care provided to patients."

With both CHO and PHCO posts facing vacancies, experts say the state must prioritise recruitment and maintain clear role definitions, rather than relying on temporary fixes that could overburden an already stretched workforce.

Three Kerala students get robbed in their room

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THREE hotel management students from Kerala were attacked and robbed in their room on Friday night by a gang of six in Konanakunte police limits. The accused escaped with three mobile phones, cash and even forced the victims to transfer Rs 10,000 through UPI.

The three live together in a room at Pavamana Nagar, off BG Road in Konanakunte.

Around 10 pm, the accused barged into their room when they were studying with the room doors open. The victims reported it to the police immediately after the accused escaped. The students have said that the accused were speaking in Tamil. "We have got leads about the accused based on the details of the UPI transaction," said an officer.

MAKING NEEDS HEARD

AAP members stage a protest against the scarcity of auto LPG, at Freedom Park in Bengaluru on Saturday | EXPRESS

ELECTRICIAN FALLS 35FT IN LIFT SHAFT, DIES

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A 45-year-old old electrician has died after falling inside the lift shaft from the third floor of an under construction building in Chandapura-Anekal Road. The deceased, M Manjunath, is suspected to have lost balance and fallen down between 8.30am and 1pm while working at Mohammed Asif Ali's building in Anekal Town on Wednesday. Manjunath was a resident of Kumbaranahalli in Jigani.

The Anekal police have registered a case, death by negligence under section 106 of BNS, against the building owner and another person. The victim's father, HM Munireddy (75), has filed complaint against Asif, the building owner and contractor Ravi Kumar. "The victim has fallen from a height of around 35 feet. He was rushed to the Anekal Government Hospital where he was declared dead on arrival. Action has been initiated against both the accused," said an officer.

IN-PATIENT DIES AFTER FALLING FROM HOSPITAL TERRACE IN DEVANAHALLI

BENGALURU: A 34-year-old man has died after falling from the third floor terrace of a private hospital near Kempegowda International Airport in Devanahalli. The victim was admitted to the hospital on Friday. The incident happened around 7.30am on Saturday. The police are investigating if the man died by suicide or fell down accidentally. The deceased, Gowtham Yadav, a resident of Kodagurki, is said to have died on impact. The police are checking for any negligence by the hospital, as the patient went to the terrace and there was no security guard around.

Cabbie assaulted by 9, manhunt on

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THE Sarjapur police are searching for nine persons, including a woman, for assaulting a 32-year-old private company cab driver near Confident Group Apartment at Chambenahalli in Anekal taluk. The victim VG Gowtham -- a resident of KG Halli Main Road, was attacked with weapons and is being treated at a private hospital. The police suspect it to be a case of road rage. Gowtham was attacked around 1.30 am on Thursday, when he was returning to the company after dropping the employees.

He said that initially, two persons, including the woman, in a Uttar Pradesh-registered car rear-ended his car. When he stopped, the duo got out of their car smoking cigarettes and began punching his face. They also called their associates to the spot who arrived there within minutes and attacked him with weapons. They all left after kicking him, warning him with dire consequences and threatening to set his car on fire. Gowtham managed to drop the car back on the company premises and then got admitted to a hospital. "The accused are yet to be arrested. The complainant has provided the registration number of the car that the accused were in, and he claims that they rear-ended his car," said an officer.

A case of causing hurt using dangerous weapons, wrongful restraint, criminal intimidation along with other sections of BNS are registered against the accused.

EXPRESS READ

23-year-old dies after bike crashes into divider

MANGALURU: A 23-year-old man died after his motorbike crashed into a divider at Padil, Puttur in Mangaluru. The deceased, Dhanraj, a resident of Bellipady, had visited to his hometown for a temple festival and was on his way to Bengaluru when the accident occurred. He lost control of the vehicle, hit the divider and crashed into a pole. Two persons in another bike were injured in the incident. ENS

Three held for kidnap & rape of transgender

MYSURU: Metagalli police have arrested three persons on charges of kidnapping and sexually assaulting a transgender woman near Kumbarakoppal in Mysuru district on Thursday night. The police have arrested three accused -- Pavan, Sushil, and Harsha. The fourth accused, Murali, remains absconding, and efforts are on to nab him. ENS

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Chikkaballapur Congress MLA Pradeep Eshwar has reportedly complained to Chief Minister Siddaramaiah that the allocation of grants to develop an SC/ST colony in his constituency was diverted to district minister Dr M C Sudhakar's Chintamani Assembly constituency. Pradeep got Rs 3 crore to develop Pragati Colony. But, the order was modified after the release of Rs 99 lakh to divert the grants to Chintamani

As Siddu plays it safe, Jarkiholi steps in to take on AHINDA mantle

A former min says he never expected CM would be helpless in safeguarding loyalists

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @Bengaluru

WITH Chief Minister Siddaramaiah reluctant to back under fire Muslim leaders and MLCs, Naseer Ahmed and K Abdul Jabbar, PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi, who is aspiring to become KPCC president, has stepped in to control damage.

Naseer was sacked as CM's political secretary. Jabbar was suspended from the party after having been made to resign as KPCC minority cell chief. Deputy Chief Minister and KPCC president DK Shivakumar's camp is now anticipating action against Housing Minister Zameer Ahmed Khan. All this is in the backdrop of alleged anti-party activities during the byelection in Davanagere South.

Once the bypoll results are declared on May 4, Jarkiholi, Social Welfare Minister Dr HC Mahadevappa and former minister KN Rajanna are likely to

meet AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge, General Secretary (Organisation) KC Venugopal and LoP in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi in New Delhi and apprise them of the 'harsh' action against the minority leaders that could damage party's prospects in the 2028 Karnataka Assembly polls, sources said.

Siddaramaiah is said to have suggested to Zameer to explain to the party high command his alleged anti-party activities to defeat Samarth Shamanur, son of Horticulture Minister SS Mallikarjun.

Jarkiholi and Mahadevappa had a breakfast meeting with Zameer and discussed strategy, a source said. "Zameer along with Siddaramaiah's son Dr Yathindra has been reiterating that Siddaramaiah will continue as CM for five years and his interest should be safeguarded," a Congress leader said.

The disciplinary action against the Muslim leaders has been interpreted as a setback to the CM's camp. Shivakumar had ensured that a report against the leaders reached the high command through AICC secretary state in-charge Abhishek Dutt. There was evidence against Jabbar over alleged anti-party activities, but not against Naseer and Zameer, say sources.

Meanwhile, Rajanna said he never expected Siddaramaiah would be helpless in safeguarding his loyalists. Rajanna was dismissed from the cabinet for criticising Rahul Gandhi's 'vote chori' campaign. The CM had promised Rajanna and former minister B Nagendra that he would bring them back to the cabinet after convincing Venugopal, say sources. They say that Rajanna was in touch with Holenarasipura MLA HD Revanna, the son of former Prime Minister HD Deve Gowda, with a plan to join JDS ahead of the 2028 assembly polls.

Siddaramaiah on Saturday told reporters that he spoke to Rajanna.

Leader of Opposition R Ashoka said Siddaramaiah became helpless a long time ago, but Rajanna is realising it only now.

Mahadevappa, however, said, "When was the CM helpless? He has always been tough. When angry, the 'tagaru' (ram) head-butts. Rajanna, out of love for the CM, said he should be firm. The CM knows what to do and when to do and punches whenever he wants," he said.

MY TAKE

NO ADDING RAGING DEMONS ON OUR ALREADY DEMONIC ROADS

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THE forecast is for higher-than-normal maximum temperatures of over 37 degrees Celsius for Indian cities this summer. As the summer intensifies, with forecasts about April showers not encouraging for much-needed relief, we need to gear up to tackle a not-so-rare, but challenging, behavioural problem that rears its hot head more viciously in the summer months – road rage.

Road rage is fuelled by extreme frustration welling up within while driving on congested roads that are also navigated by other more or less equally frustrated motorists. Experts describe road rage as a psychological phenomenon driven by stress, impulsivity, and anger, often linked to psychiatric morbidities like depression and anxiety. It could also result from impulsive disorders like Intermittent Explosive Disorder (IED) – a mental health condition involving sudden episodes of impulsive, aggressive, or violent behaviour. In road rage, IED can express from perceiving traffic as an obstruction, causing feelings like being intentionally cut off, taken as a personal affront, which results in retaliatory aggression. Besides these, there are: Poor self-control, in which motorists struggle to regulate triggered emotions, allowing frustrations to escalate to aggression; antisocial personality traits; cognitive biases, in which drivers perceive traffic blockages as "personal injustice" and blaming other motorists for it; and even substance abuse – alcohol or drugs – increasing irritability and reducing the capacity for control.

Road rage expresses in a range of behaviours among the perpetrators, like overspeeding to prove a point to other motorists, intentionally driving too close behind the vehicle ahead to scare the other motorist ('tailgating'), shouting abuses at other motorists or pedestrians, making obscene gestures at other motorists or pedestrians, or even resorting to violent behaviour which have, in some tragic cases, resulted in death.

The common factors for road rage are pressures arising in workplace or home environments; traffic congestion and construction activities on the roads, obstructing free-flowing vehicle movement that frustrates the motorists; tight work schedules leading to impatience on the roads; or other motorists failing to signal while coming in the way.

The triggers and factors for road rage cases are all present in varying degrees in a city like Bengaluru, which in 2025 recorded a three-fold increase to 95 over the previous year. Incidentally, while road rage occurs rampantly on a daily basis on the roads across cities, only a fraction get reported, depending on the magnitude of the act or its result. One neither knows when – or what kind of – adverse behaviour would erupt in a motorist, nor the end result of it.

And yet, unfortunately, no candidate motorist is scanned for psychological traits while applying for driving licences at the regional transport offices (RTOs) – which means, there could be any number of motorists added to the already existing numbers out there potentially exploding in road rage at the drop of a hat.

The onus then lies with the already burdened traffic and the law & order police to manage the menace that comes out of hiding from the crevices of minds unknown to them. You can never tell where and when it erupts, and what the end-result would be. So, road rage cases continue unabated.

Road rage in Karnataka is dealt with penalties including fines and imprisonment. But no specific statute on "road rage" exists, and is dealt with based on the severity of the act under various sections of the Indian Penal Code – now Bharatiya Nyay Sanhita – like rash driving, voluntarily causing hurt, criminal intimidation, death due to negligence, or murder if the actions of perpetrator/s ends in loss of life. Dangerous driving can lead to six months jail and/or Rs 10,000 fine for first offences. Recent rulings of the Karnataka High Court have treated severe road rage as criminal acts, even "attempt to murder" charges, which marks a zero-tolerance approach towards road rage.

Yet, prevention is a major challenge. As road rage is described as a dysfunctional coping mechanism of the motorist while responding to stress and an erroneous perception of violation or obstruction of one's personal space or progress on the road, respectively, the alternative is for the motorists themselves to deal with it. Psychologists recommend techniques to motorists to avoid road rage by regulating emotions by listening to calming music, slow breathing, resorting to a five-second pause when triggered, and training one's mind to the fact that traffic violations by other motorists or civic work obstructions to vehicle movements are not personal attacks. Besides, the police suggest calling '112' in case of escalation, without confronting the perpetrators, and installing dash cams to record the incidents to pass videos to the traffic police to pursue cases.

Although the solutions are easier recommended than practised, they appear to be worth a try. The Stephen King-and Joe Hill-authored 2012 novel *Road Rage*, which explores the darker side of human nature, says: "The road is a battleground where people's inner demons come out to play." But why allow our inner demons out on the roads when demons – in the form of poorly designed roads, lethargic and apathetic RTOs, or snail-paced civic works – already exist there? Fight those, rather than add to them!

Kulkarni verdict fuels bitter social media war

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FOLLOWING the Special Court's verdict in Bengaluru on Friday, sentencing Congress MLA Vinay Kulkarni and 15 others to life imprisonment in connection with the Yogesh Gouda murder case, supporters of Kulkarni have launched an aggressive campaign on social media, asserting his innocence. As part of this effort, campaigners are circulating alleged case records and details related to Yogesh Gouda in an attempt to shape public opinion.

The online clash between supporters of Kulkarni and those backing Yogesh Gouda has since intensified. Each post by one group is met with counterclaims from the other, often highlighting alleged shortcomings of rival leaders, further escalating tensions.

A social activist noted that in a bid to impress their leaders, some supporters resort to such tactics. While backing one's preferred leader is not inherently wrong, the activist stressed that the manner of support matters. Social media, they warned, has a significant influence on young audiences. Supporters on both sides are now digging up crime-related information to justify the actions, or alleged actions, of their respective leaders.

"The police should take note of this. Such online conflicts have the potential to trigger fresh rivalries among supporters," the activist said. "Spreading hatred to gain favour is not acceptable. In several posts, supporters are even advising police on how investigations should have been conducted, suggesting a disregard for the rule of law," the activist added.

A senior police officer confirmed that authorities are closely monitoring the situation.

POWER LEAGUE

DCM DK Shivakumar and Bengaluru Police Commissioner Seemanth Kumar Singh enjoy the IPL match between Royal Challengers Bengaluru and Delhi Capitals at M Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru on Saturday | KEVIN NASHON

3rd language row: Min to consult CM on HC order

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FOLLOWING the Karnataka High Court's direction to the state government not to change the system and continue allocating marks and not grades for the third language in the SSLC examinations, School Education and Literacy Minister Madhu Bangarappa said that a decision will be taken after talks with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah. "We will not drag this issue as we don't want to delay the SSLC exam-1 results. Decision will be taken accordingly and results will be announced soon," he said.

"We will take suggestions from legal advisors on what can be done legally. Meanwhile, the draft notification shall not be taken down as we have posted it to seek suggestions from the people. The court has also clarified that the department has to go according to the earlier rules set before the start of the game and cannot change it midway. They asked the department to continue allocating marks to students who have written exams for the academic year 2025-26," he said.

April 17 was the last day for the public to file objections on allocating grades, instead of marks, for third language in exam-1 for SSLC students. Releasing a draft notification recently, the department stated that the students would be allotted A, B and C grades as per the marks scored by them out of 100. Madhu Bangarappa had announced it on March 26. With that, the total marks would be reduced to 525 from 625 marks, he had said. He had taken the decision based on a petition filed by several Kannada activists to cancel Hindi language exams.

Around 1.48 lakh students failed in SSLC Hindi paper last year. Madhu had said allotting grades for third language would help students score good marks, helping them get into higher education and government institutions for higher studies.

33% quota: BJP launches statewide protests

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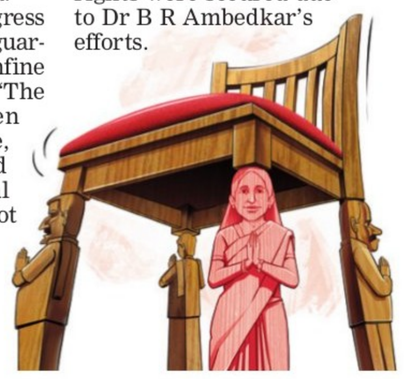
THE BJP Mahila Morcha on Saturday launched a statewide campaign against the Congress, accusing it of defeating the 33 per cent Women's Reservation Bill. Addressing a joint press conference, Leader of the Opposition in the Assembly R Ashoka alleged that the Congress had "betrayed crores of women" by blocking the bill. "The people of the country will not forgive the Congress for ignoring the power of women. They will teach the party a lesson in the upcoming state elections," he said.

Ashoka accused the Congress of believing that welfare guarantees were enough to confine women to domestic roles. "The Congress thinks women should remain at home, cook, and visit temples, and should not have political representation. They do not want women in Parliament or the Legislative Assembly. They have deprived women of reservation," he alleged.

Leader of the Opposition in the Legislative Council Chalavadi Narayanaswamy said the Congress had used its welfare guarantees to "exploit women as a vote bank."

"Women do not want Rs 2,000; they want equal rights in lawmaking and policy-making. Free bus travel and such schemes are not empowerment," he said.

He questioned whether the guarantees were sufficient, urging women to choose between "guarantees or equal rights." He also claimed that the Congress had never been pro-women, adding that voting rights were secured due to Dr B R Ambedkar's efforts.



Narayanaswamy further alleged that the Congress was celebrating the bill's defeat. "This is neither a defeat for the BJP nor a disgrace. It is the Congress that has insulted women," he said.

BJP Mahila Morcha state president K C. Manjula said protests were held in Mysuru, Gadag, Nelamangala and Kolar on Saturday, and would continue in three districts of Bengaluru on Sunday.

"The protests will continue until the Congress government is removed from power in Karnataka," she said.

"We had prepared to celebrate the passage of the reservation bill, but that has now turned into outrage," she added.

Manjula also alleged contradictions within the Congress on the issue and said the BJP would expose the "anti-women policies" of parties such as the Congress and Trinamool Congress.

BJP state vice-president Malavika Avinash said, "Women of India will never forgive this insult. We were ready to receive reservation as a constitutional right. Let the Congress face the anger of women."

CM: Cong not against women's quota

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah said the Congress had not opposed the Women's Reservation Bill. Speaking to reporters, he said the bill failed because it was linked with the delimitation of constituencies.

"The Women's Reservation Bill was passed in the Lok Sabha in 2023. It has now failed because it was tied to a constitutional amendment involving delimitation. Had it been introduced separately, it would have passed," he said, accusing the Centre of politicising the issue.

Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara said the NDA government, led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, should have taken all parties into confidence before tabling the bill. He expressed hope that this would be done when the bill is reintroduced.

He added that the process for women's reservation had begun during the tenure of former Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh under the UPA government.

Power tariff hike severe blow to industrial growth, says FKCCI

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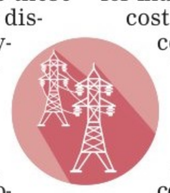
THE Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FKCCI) has expressed serious concerns over Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission's (KERC) tariff hikes across electricity supply companies (ESCOMs).

"The decisions, which include tariff hikes across ESCOMs and retrospective billing for industrial and commercial consumers, are expected to have a far-reaching adverse impact on Karnataka's industry, trade and overall economic growth," said FKCCI President Uma Reddy.



She highlighted that these decisions will severely disrupt working capital cycles due to sudden backdated liabilities, forcing businesses to divert funds earmarked for operations, salaries and raw materials. The retrospective nature of these revisions distorts financial planning, pricing strategies and profitability, while also impacting advance tax computations and exposing businesses to compliance risks. The increase in power costs, a critical input for industries, will escalate the cost of production, reduce competitiveness, and adversely affect supply chains and pricing across sectors.

"The revision of power tariffs is deeply concerning and unacceptable. Industries cannot be expected to absorb sudden financial shocks for past periods where pricing decisions have already been concluded. Such measures severely disrupt working capital, distort financial planning and erode already thin margins, particularly for MSMEs, which are the backbone of Karnataka's economy," Uma Reddy said.

She added, "We are witnessing a growing trend where the burden of subsidies is increasingly being shifted onto industrial and commercial consumers. Subsidy support is the responsibility of the government and should not be indirectly recovered from productive sectors. This approach places an unfair and unsustainable burden on industry."

Highlighting the broader implications, the FKCCI chief said, "Policy stability and predictability are critical for investor confidence. Retrospective tariff implementation sends a negative signal to both domestic and global investors and may hinder Karnataka's industrial growth trajectory. MSMEs in particular will face severe financial stress, which could impact their survival and future growth."

FKCCI has urged the authorities to reconsider the retrospective tariff implementation.

DKS shares dais with Rahul in TN

DCM D K Shivakumar felicitates LoP in LS Rahul Gandhi during a rally at Ponneri in Tamil Nadu on Saturday

Bengaluru: Karnataka DCM D K Shivakumar, also KPCC president, who had found it hard to get an audience with LoP in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi in New Delhi, shared the dais with the latter on the sidelines of an election rally at Ponneri in Tamil Nadu on Saturday. He also felicitated Rahul. His younger brother, former Bengaluru Rural MP D K Suresh, had gone there a week ago to help the DMK and Cong functionaries organise the rally successfully, according to sources. "I have been campaigning in Tamil Nadu for the past ten days. The DMK-led alliance government under CM M K Stalin's leadership has been protecting the rights of ordinary people and the interests of Tamil Nadu," Shivakumar said at the rally. **ENS**

The arrest of a man from Chikkamagaluru who allegedly posed as an IAS officer working for the National Health Mission by Amruthahalli police sparked a political slugfest between BJP and Congress. The accused, Mithun from Kadur, reportedly developed ties with District Surgeon Chandrashekar of MalleGowda District Hospital and used the facility as a base for his illegal activities

B'gavi's Raju Metri gets Labour Party ticket in UK

ENSERVICE @ Belagavi

IN a moment of immense pride for Belagavi and the Kannada community worldwide, **Rajeev Krishna Metri**, popularly known as Raju Metri, has been selected as the Labour Party candidate for the Parliamentary elections in Wales, United Kingdom.

A native of Doddhi village in, Metri's remarkable journey from rural Karnataka to British politics has become an inspiring story. He arrived at London's Heathrow Airport on May 10, 2001. Born to Krishna Bharam Metri and Draupadi, he began his career as a nurse in the National Health Service. Over the years, he served as a senior cardiac nurse in the CCU and later as a coordinator in the cardiac catheterisation laboratory. Metri has made significant contributions in the social and cultural sphere, actively promoting Kannada language and culture overseas. Metri created history in 2022 by winning the County Councillor elections from Bodelwyddan in Denbighshire.

GUV ORDERS FRESH PROBE INTO KUVEMPU UNIVERSITY SCANDAL

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GOVERNOR Thaawarchand Gehlot has appointed former High Court judge Justice R Gururajan to conduct a probe into allegations of misappropriation of funds by the administration of Kuvempu University, allocated by various departments under SCSP/TSP grants towards development work. He has also directed Gurajan to submit a detailed report within a month.

This is the second time a committee is being constituted to probe the same allegations. In June 2023, the higher education department had formed a committee headed by Ravindranath HB, a former judge of the district and sessions court in Shivamogga. The panel had held that there was misuse of funds or grants released under the SCSP/TSP schemes, and reported that the then functioning officials, including former Vice Chancellor JN Veerabhadrappa, were collectively accountable for the anomaly. Following this, the state government had requested the Governor cum Chancellor to initiate disciplinary action against those responsible, in accordance with Section 8 of the Karnataka State Universities Act, 2000.

The allegations included misappropriation of Rs 5 crore allotted by the state government and social welfare department's SCSP/TSP grant of Rs 4.25 crore for setting up smart classes. The state government had received multiple complaints against the then Vice-Chancellor Prof BP Veerabhadrappa, Prof Geetha C, Dr YL Ramachandra, Shankarappa B for negligence and lack of integrity regarding the alleged misappropriation of funds released under the SCSP/TSP Programme.

BUMPER TO BUMPER

VIPs attending an event at GKVK triggered a traffic jam on Ballari Road near Hebbal in Bengaluru on Saturday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

School kids pitch sustainability and AI projects at Launchpad 2026

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AROUND 32 teams of students from classes 7 to 10 from various schools across the country participated in the Launchpad 2026, the national finale of the Young Pioneers programme, co-developed by Cambridge University Press Assessment and Get Set Learn at The Indian Institute of Science (IISc) in Bengaluru.

The winning ideas were Plasmo Guard in the Beginner category, developed by students from Chirec International School, Hyderabad, and Steel Root in the Intermediate category from Laurel High Global School, Rajahmundry. Aervida (in the Beginners category) won from BVP Rabindranath School, Pune, and Coper (Intermediate) from Global City, Bengaluru, with teams presenting a diverse range of solutions addressing real-world challenges.

Students from Chirec International School, Hyderabad bag the beginner-level winners prize | EXPRESS

Plasmo Guard is driven by the critical challenges in malaria diagnosis, particularly in rural and underserved regions. The students highlighted issues such as delayed detection, limited access to laboratory facilities among others. They aim to leverage AI to enable early, accurate and cost-effective malaria detection and support healthcare providers, ultimately improving patient outcomes.

Steel Root addresses environmental and structural challenges associated with traditional construction materials such as steel and concrete, which have a significant carbon footprint. Recognising that construction contributes substantially to global CO_2 emissions, they intended to resolve the issue with sustainable alternatives like advanced, carbon-negative materials that can outperform traditional options in both strength and efficiency.

Ashish Arora, Senior Vice President of Cambridge University Press Assessment said, "We are contributing to Viksit Bharat from the classroom. When learners become creators and problem-solvers, learning becomes truly meaningful. The program is designed to blend classroom learning with real-world application and empower students to bring their ideas to life."

Market will be disrupted: Brewers assn prez

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THE brewers and distillers in Karnataka expressed their disappointment with the proposed amendment. "Alcohol sold in Karnataka in the first four slabs is affordable and considered common man's alcohol. The MRP on these slabs will go up putting further pressure on common households. This will disrupt the market significantly thereby affecting the revenue mobilisation also," said president, Karnataka Brewers and Distillers Association Arun Kumar Parasa.

He added that the industry is hugely disappointed with the government move to bring in AIB. "We will discuss with the chief minister. We are confident that the government will consider our suggestions before the final notification," he added.

The government proposes to make the amendment under Section 71 of the Karnataka Excise Act, 1965, "The draft will be taken into consideration after the expiry of seven days from the date of its publication in the official Gazette," read the notification.

EXPRESS READ

BNMIT college organises Open Day

BENGALURU: Programmes like Open Day must be organised in every college to help provide solutions to global challenges, said Shailesh Sakri, the director of automotive at Harman International. Speaking after inaugurating the "Open Day" event organised at BNMIT College, Sakri said, "Providing students an opportunity to present projects from their very first year helps identify and nurture their creativity. Such initiatives should be encouraged in every college. This will also increase the students' interest in practical learning and help them contribute solutions to societal problems." Echoing Sakri's views, Narayana Rao R. Maanay, the chairman of the BNMIT Group of Educational Institutions, said, "Programs like this are essential to bring out the hidden ideas in students." ISRO, BHEL, DRDO and HMT also participated. More than 100 projects, including those based on AI , were exhibited. **ENS**

1k automated wheelchairs distributed at Victoria

BENGALURU: One thousand fully automated wheelchairs were distributed to underprivileged and differently-abled individuals at Victoria Hospital on Friday. The initiative, 'Sapnon Ke Sawari', was led by Aahwahan Foundation in collaboration with Aptiv Components India. Dr Deepak S, orthopaedic surgeon said, "Such assistive devices play a crucial role in helping patients reintegrate into daily life with dignity and confidence." Each wheelchair is valued at Rs 3.5 lakh and can run up to 40 km on a single charge. They are equipped with an SOS feature. **ENS**

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POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8 (1)] [For Immovable Property]

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **Can Fin Homes Ltd.** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers under the said Act and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice dated **30-08-2025** calling upon the **borrowers : Mr. A.K. Chandrashekar and Mrs. Pramita .M.R** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being amount of **Rs. 28,31,462/-** (Rupees Twenty Eight Lakh Thirty One Thousand Four Hundres Sixty Two Only) with further interest at contractual rates, till date of realization within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

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Description of immovable property : All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site No. 01, Asst. No. 160/1, Katha No. 160/1-1, Shivakote Village, Hesaraghatta Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore. Property measuring East to West on Northern Side 26.5 Feet, on Southern Side : 24 feet and North to South on Eastern side : 44 Feet, on Western Side : 41.5 Feet, Totally measuring 1079 Sq. Ft. **Bounderies : East by :** Others Property, **West by :** Site No. 2, **North by :** 25 feet Road, **South by :** Site No. 5/A.

Place: Bengaluru **Sd/- Authorised Officer,**
Date: 17-04-2026 **Can Fin Homes Ltd.**

Union Bank of India
S.C. Road Branch
No. 71/1, Brigade Plaza, SC Road, Near Anand Rao Circle, Bangalore-560009
Contact no: 9324801442 mail ID: ubin0901440@unionbankofindia.bank

POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Union Bank of India, S.C. Road Branch** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Second) Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **18.11.2025** calling upon the Borrower: **1) Mrs Vijaya B** W/o Chikkeere Gowda & **2. Mr Chikkeere Gowda** R/o No. 149, Rajiv Gandhi Nagar Near New Ganesha Temple HSR Layout, Sector-7, Bommanahalli Bangalore-560068., to repay the amount mentioned in the notice of **Rs 27,19,546 /- (Twenty Seven Lakhs Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred and Forty Sixty only)** and interest/Charges thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **18th day of April 2026.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, S.C. Road Branch** for an amount **Rs 27,19,546 /- (Twenty Seven Lakhs Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred and Forty Sixty only)** and further interest/charges thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

(Description of immovable property):

SCHEDULE-A: All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Vacant Site No.46 and 46A, Property No.30/1,30/2,31,Rajiv Gandhi Nagar, Bommanahalli, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Presently comes under the limits of BBMP measuring East to West 35 ft and North to South 33 ft in all totally measuring 1155 sqft and bounded on the: East by: Road, West by: Private Property, North by: Road, South by: Private Property.

Date: 18.04.2026 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bengaluru **Union Bank of India**

Mumbai Building Repairs & Reconstruction Board
A Regional Unit of Maharashtra Housing and Area Development Authority
Email: eed3mhada@gmail.com
Ref No. EE/D-3/MBR&RB/e-Tender/ E-o8358507 Date 30/01/2026

e-TENDER NOTICE (2nd Call)

Dy. Chief Engineer, Zone-II,Mumbai Building Repair & Reconstruction Board (A unit of MHADA), 89-95, "Rajani Mahal", Tardeo Road, Mumbai - 400034, invites digitally signed & unconditional online "C-1" open E-Tender from prospective bidders eligible **as per the "post qualification criteria" and terms and conditions mentioned in the** e-tender invites for the following work. **Location:** Proposed Development of Transit Accommodation for Working Women on Plot Bearing C.S. no. 4/725(part) Nav-Maharashtra Nagar, M.P. Mill Compound, Tardeo, Mumbai in D-3 Ward.The complete bidding process will be online in two envelopes system. All further notifications /information and detailed terms and conditions regarding this tender notice hereafter will be published online on website **https://mahatenders.gov.in** Corrigendum/Addition of any will be published on the website only.

Sd/-
(R.V.Shinde)
Executive Engineer D-3 Divn,
CPRO/A/313 M.B.R.& R. Board

KARNATAKA POWER CORPORATION LIMITED
(RAICHUR THERMAL POWER STATION)
CIN : U85110KA1970SGC001919

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Through e-procurement portal only)

Tenders are invited for the following through e-procurement portal **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in.**

Procurement of the following: (1) KPCL/2026-27/IND2571. Spares for periodic maintenance of BFP Booster Pumps of Model FA-1B-56 of Units 5 to 8. EMD: **Rs. 21,200/-.** (2) KPCL/2026-27/IND2572. Spares for periodic maintenance of BFP Main Pumps of Model FK-6D-30 of Units 5 to 8. EMD: **Rs. 70,700/-.** (3) KPCL/2026-27/IND2573. LED Drivers & Surge Protectors required for LED Fittings repair. EMD: **Rs. 1,800/-.** (4) KPCL/2026-27/IND2568. Emulsifier system spares & consumables. EMD: **Rs. 13,600/-.** (5) KPCL/2026-27/IND2567. MS ERW Pipes for RTPS EMD: **Rs. 22,600/-.** (6) KPCL/2026-27/IND2578. Clamp Meter & LUX Meter. EMD: **Rs. 1,300/-.** (7) KPCL/2026-27/IND2577. Tiltable Ladders. EMD: **Rs. 2,100/-.** (8) KPCL/2026-27/IND2580. SS Shims, Brass Rods & SS Rods for Turbines & Auxiliaries of Unit 5 to 8. EMD: **Rs. 12,000/-.** (9) KPCL/2025-26/IND2284/CALL-2. Chain Electric Hoists for BM-2 of RTPS. EMD: **Rs. 2,600/-.** (10) KPCL/2025-26/IND2293/CALL-2. Spring Seal Assemblies & Seal Kit for BM-1 of RTPS. EMD: **Rs. 21,800/-.** (11) KPCL/2025-26/IND2383/CALL-2. Mechanical Consumables for BM-1 of RTPS. EMD: **Rs. 1,600/-.** (12) KPCL/2025-26/IND2374/CALL-2. High Pressure Valves for BM-1 of RTPS. EMD: **Rs. 35,000/-.** (13) KPCL/2025-26/IND2229/CALL-3. Pipe Fittings for CAM-1 of RTPS. EMD: **Rs. 1,800/-.** (14) KPCL/2025-26/IND2538/CALL-2. Current Transformers. EMD: **Rs. 46,400/-.** (15) KPCL/2025-26/IND2505/CALL-2. Capsule Type Thyristor. EMD: **Rs. 2,300/-.** (16) KPCL/2025-26/SEO341/CALL-3, 13.04.2026. Providing Canteen Catering Services at RTPS Premises & Shaktinagar Colony. EMD: **Rs. 3,75,000/-.** Contract Period: **1 Year.** Last date for receipt of tenders: **24.04.2026, 16.00 Hrs** for Sl.No. (1) to (3), **22.04.2026, 16.00 Hrs** for Sl.No. (4) & (5), and **04.05.2026, 16.00 Hrs** for Sl.No. (6) to (15), **21.04.2026** for Sl.No. (16). Last date to confirm participation in live auction for Sl.No. (17) is **02.05.2026.** Further details can be had from the **Executive Engineer (Purchase) RTPS,** Mob. No.: 9449597966, E-mail: eeprtps@gmail.com **for Sl.No. (1) to (15), DGM(HRD)RTPS,** M: 9986850765, RTPS, KPCL, Shaktinagar-584170, Dist: Raichur.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTIFICATION

KPCL/2026-27/AUCTION139, 16.04.2026. Disposal of various types of scrap materials. Last date to confirm participation in live auction is **02.05.2026.** Further details can be had from the **Executive Engineer(Stores),** RTPS, KPCL, Shaktinagar-584170, Dist: Raichur, **M: 8277502825.**

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as
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SELECTION PROCESS
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Selection of Recruits is based on the Order of Merit based on performance in Recruitment Process
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Safeguarding Seas for a Viksit Samriddha Bharat

BJP Mysuru president and former MLA L Nagendra said the party-led Central government had sought to introduce 33% reservation for women, but the Congress strongly opposed its implementation. He alleged that the Congress had dashed the aspirations of the country's 70 crore women by opposing the bill

● CAUTIONS AGAINST OVER-RELIANCE OF JUDICIARY ON AI ● SAYS JUDICIAL DECISION MAKING CANNOT BE AUTOMATED DEVOID OF SYMPATHY

CJI: Justice must remain human, not AI-driven

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CHIEF Justice of India Surya Kant on Saturday said "Justice must remain human", cautioning against over-reliance on Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the judiciary. He flagged risks such as fake judgments and AI "hallucinations", warning lawyers and judges against misuse of AI-generated pleadings. Justice Kant also stressed that judicial decision-making cannot be automated devoid of empathy, constitutional reasoning and accountability.

Justice Kant was speaking at the 22nd biennial state-level conference of judicial officers with its theme 'Reimagining the judiciary in the era of AI' on Saturday, organised by the Karnataka State Judicial Officers' Association.

The CJI said the need to "pause and introspect" arises not out of hesitation but responsibility, as structural shifts go beyond legislative or doctrinal changes. He said even though the conference is being held in Karnataka, the issues discussed have nationwide relevance, with the state often serving as a model due to its openness to innovation.

Justice Kant said AI offers opportunities to improve efficiency through legal research, case management and data organisation. However, he cautioned against over-reliance, noting that AI lacks human judgment and cannot engage with ethical or moral dimensions of decision making. He flagged risks such as fabricated precedents, misleading pleadings and inaccuracies generated by AI tools, warning that such "hallucinations" could undermine trust in the justice system. Calling for a balanced approach, he said technology must 'aid', not replace, judicial reasoning. "Justice must remain a human endeavour," he said.

Highlighting the transformative impact of technology on the judiciary, Vibhu Bakhru, Chief Justice of Karnataka High Court said AI has already entered courtrooms, making digitisation "the backbone of how we work and serve." Delivering his presidential address, he cautioned that "technology alone is not the strategy – people are," stressing investments in skills, ethics and data security. He noted that courts in Bengaluru had run out of storage space, prompting a 1.4 lakh sqft facility at Anekal to digitise records. While e-filing and paperless systems are underway, progress is still at an early stage, he said.

On AI, he stressed its role in improving efficiency but reiterated that the judiciary must remain human-centric. Justice Bakhru also highlighted reforms like the Judicial Transfer Management System and said 83 judges have been selected, with recruitment ongoing.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah said, "Artificial Intelligence offers immense promise – from faster legal research to reducing pendency – but it also raises profound concerns." He cautioned that "algorithmic bias can undermine equality before law, and opaque systems can weaken reasoned judicial decisions."

CJI Surya Kant with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and Supreme Court judges BV Nagarathna and Aravind Kumar at the inauguration of the 22nd Biennial State Level Conference of Judicial Officers in Bengaluru on Saturday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Weed out judges with greed: Justice Nagarathna

Bengaluru: To preserve the integrity of the judiciary, strict action should be taken against judicial officers who fall prey to greed and such individuals must be "weeded out of the system", said Supreme Court judge, Justice B V Nagarathna, here on Saturday. At the 22nd biennial state-level conference of judicial officers with its theme "Reimagining the judiciary in the era of AI", organised by the Karnataka State Judicial Officers' Association, she said, "The future of justice cannot be shaped by AI, but by judges only, supported by tools but guided always by constitutional values, rule of law, and commitment to equity and fairness." She underscored that while salaries and allowances in the district judiciary have improved following Pay Commission recommendations, integrity must remain non-negotiable. "Judges unable to live within their known sources of income and fall prey to greed and temptation must be weeded out of the system," she said, calling for strict accountability. She stressed that judges must remain free from all forms of influence, including from colleagues, and exercise independent decision-making without "coordination". A tainted ruling reflects not only on the individual judge but on the judiciary as a whole, she warned.

Proud of Karnataka Lokayukta, says CJI

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CITIZENS today seek timely access to information and greater clarity regarding the conduct of those who hold public office. To fulfil those expectations, we need systems that promote openness in practical and measurable ways. It is, therefore, extremely significant that today's commemoration coincides with the inauguration of a digital portal containing the statements of assets and liabilities of elected representatives across Karnataka, said Chief Justice of India (CJI) Surya Kant on Saturday.

Justice Kant was delivering the presidential address at the launch of the portal and and investigation module of the Karnataka Lokayukta by Supreme Court judge Justice Aravind Kumar, after releasing a souvenir following the inauguration of the event "Four Decades of Journey of Karnataka Lokayukta" at the Banquet Hall of Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru on Saturday.

The CJI said when disclosures of this kind (assets and liabilities of elected representatives) become easily accessible to citizens, transparency moves from promise to practice, becoming part of the everyday grammar of public life.

The Karnataka Lokayukta has become one of the most significant and effective Lokayukta in the country, shaping perceptions about how such mechanisms should function in a democratic system. "I, on my own personal note, feel proud of this institution; that's how resilient, how loudly it has spread its wings to serve the people of the state of Karnataka.. I am sure that the Lokayuktas will undoubtedly remain an important pillar in promoting fairness, integrity and transparency in governance," he said.

CJI Surya Kant felicitates former Lokayukta Justice Santosh Hegde at an event to mark four decades of the institution | VINOD KUMAR T

Judiciary should include broader development contexts: CM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
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CHIEF Minister Siddaramaiah on Saturday said the energy sector, particularly green energy, is essential but energy transition brings new and complex legal questions relating to contracts, environment, land and infrastructure.

He said courts are required to balance development needs, environmental protection and rights of affected communities. "We respect the role of the judiciary in upholding the rule of law and protecting citizens' rights. At the same time, it is important that the broader development context is appreciated, so that critical infrastructure projects are not unduly delayed."

The CM said that as India moves towards becoming a developed nation by 2047, the scale of transformation required in the energy sector is unprecedented. "If we are to improve quality of life, strengthen industry and build modern infrastructure, our energy consumption must grow almost four times over the coming two decades."

Siddaramaiah said this at the inauguration of the two-day international conference on Sustainable Energy – An Agenda for India @2047 organised by Commonwealth Legal Education Association and state energy department in Bengaluru.

Also present on the occasion, Chief Justice of India Surya Kant urged all judges and policy makers to work collectively for energy justice, which rests on four pillars – affordability, accessibility, equity and inclusion.

'Rising litigation puts pressure on justice delivery'

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JUSTICE Kumar pointed out that despite repeated proposals, approvals are often delayed or scaled down by officials.

He noted a steady rise in litigation, with annual case filings increasing and adding pressure on the justice delivery system. However, proposals related to judicial appointments, public prosecutors and infrastructure are frequently processed slowly or curtailed. He said that over the last two years, only 238 posts were approved against a demand for 666 across High Court benches in Bengaluru, Kalaburagi and Dharwad. Similarly, for district courts, only 400 posts were sanctioned against a requirement of 680.

Justice Kumar underscored the stark mismatch between revenue generated by the judiciary and funds allocated for its development. Over the last three years, courts in Karnataka collected Rs 376 crore (2023–24), Rs 439 crore (2024–25) and Rs 470 crore (2025–26) through court fees, penalties, and stamp duties. In contrast, the state's non-salary expenditure on the judiciary stood at just Rs 1.03 crore, Rs 40 lakh, Rs 1.37 crore and Rs 1.41 crore over comparable periods – which he described as "peanuts".

He argued that when compared to the substantial revenue generated, the allocation for judicial infrastructure remains disproportionately low. "At least 75–80% of the money collected should be given back to the judiciary," he said.

He expressed hope that the chief minister would direct officials to approve High Court proposals swiftly.

IN THE COURT OF THE V ADDITIONAL CITY CIVIL & SESSIONS JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-13)
OS No. 5780 / 2024

Between :
The Federal Bank Limited, A Banking Company having its Registered and Head Office at : Federal Towers, Aluva, Kerala - 683101.
Represented by its Branch Manager at St. Marks Road Branch,
The Federal Bank Ltd., At No. 9, Halycon Complex, St. Marks Road, Bangalore.
... Plaintiff

And :
Mr. Suresh L. ... Defendant

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 OF CPC

Defendant :
And
Mr. Suresh .L S/o. Lingamuthu
Age Major, R/at No. M, 58, 9th Main Road, LIC Colony,
Jeevan Bhimanagar, New Thippasandra, Bangalore - 560 075.

Whereas, the plaintiff above named has instituted the above suit for recovery of money for sum of **Rs. 10,51,535.30/- (Rupees Ten Lakhs Fifty One Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Five and Thirty Paise Only),** along with interest at the rate of **14.70% P.A.** against you, and you are summoned to appear before the **V Addl. City Civil & Sessions Judge at Bengaluru (C.C.H.-13),** in person or by a pleader, on the day of **04-07-2026 at 11.00 A.M.** to answer the claim, failing to which the suit would be disposed of Ex-Parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on this the **10th Day of April 2026** at Bangalore.

By Order of the Court
Sd/- Senior Sheristadar
Hon'ble City Civil Court, Bengaluru.

Advocate for Plaintiff :
B.S. Jeevan Kumar, Vidhii Partners, Advocates, Assistant Registrar,
No. 701, Queens Corner 'A', Court, # 3, Queens Road, Bengaluru - 01.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to the General Public that my client **Mr. Srinivas .S** S/o Late N.K. Santosh Reddy, aged about 42 years, Aadhar No.664774037715 presently residing at No 89, 3rd Main, 3rd Cross **Doddanekundi, Near Govt School, Bangalore 580 037. has been lost the "Original Registered Sale deed dated 30.06.2000 executed by Mr. G. Rama Reddy, in favour of Mr. N K Santosh Reddy and the document is registered as No.966/2000-01 stored in Volume No.2297 at pages 11-14 of Book-I in the Office of the Sub-Registrar, Hoskote** and it is in respect of the land bearing Survey No. 32 of Gullakayipura Village, Anugondanahalli Hobli, Hoskote Taluk and it is not traceable now.

It was lost on 11-02-2026 at Bangalore and he has lodged a Police Complaint on 11-02-2026 with Bengaluru City Police and got the Acknowledgement, in that behalf he has filed an Affidavit on 16.04.2026 as well. The General Public are hereby informed that if any person holding/trace out the above said Original Registered Sale deed may inform to the undersigned within **10 days** from the date of this notice.

If any person/s or any bank or any financial institution having any charge, lien, right, title or interest over the above said property should inform to the undersigned with the relevant documentary evidence in person within 10 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the title of the above said property will be presumed to be clear and marketable and my client will go further in respect of the said property.

Bharat. G. Hegde, Advocate
No. 231, SC Road, Anand Rao Circle,
Bangalore - 560009.
Bangalore, Date : 16.04.2026

TOWN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BELUR-573115, HASSAN
E-mail: itstaff_ulb_belur@yahoo.co.in,
townmunicipal.belur@gmail.com ದೂರವಾಣಿ: 08177–222221
No. TMC/JE/TENDER-04/ CALL-2/2025-26 Dated: 13.04.2026

E-PROCUREMENT RE-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Sl. No.Name of work 1)DMA/2025-26/RD/WORK_INDENT 54255/CALL-3 Tender amount (Rs. In Lakhs)83,41,350/- EMD (Rs. In Lakhs) 2,10,000/- 1)Last date and time for tender notification in E-procurement: 30.04.2026 upto 5.30pm. 2)Techinical bid opening date and time: 02.05.2026 at 11.30am 3)Financial bid opening date and time: 05.05.2026 at 11.30am

Sd/- President, TMC, Belur. **Sd/- Chief Officer, TMC, Belur.**
ವಾಸಾಸಂ೫/ಹಿಸನ/ಹಾಸನ/43/ಕೆಎಸ್ಎಂಸಿಎ/2026–27

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client intends to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property from its present owners **(1) SMT. D. LATHA,** W/o. Sri. S. Narayana Reddy, **(2) SRI. S. NARAYANA REDDY,** S/o. Sri. Chandra Reddy, Both residing at No. 26, 3rd Main Road, Gaurav Nagar, J. P. Nagaar, Bangalore-560 078, Any person having any charge, claim, lien, rights, title, interest or dispute of what so ever nature over the Schedule Property may lodge their claim/ objections with documentary evidence **within 15 days** from the date of publications of this notice. Any objections received thereafter will not be entertained and my clients will proceed to purchase the schedule property in accordance with law.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel immovable property bearing **Site No. 30,** khatha No. 798, formed in Survey No. 21/2, by BDA PID No.3204070015, situate at **8th Phase, J. P. Nagar, with BDA Khata situate at Vaddarapalya Village, Gottigere Panchayath, Kothanur Dhakale, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore,** measuring **East to West 46 feet+43/2 feet** and **North to South 30 feet, totally measuring 1335 sft,** with a residential house on the Ground, First, Second and Third Floor totally **measuring 4800 sft,** with stilt floor parking and bounded on the **East :** Private Property, **West:** 25 feet Road, **North:** House List No.31, **South:** House List No.29.

R. THEAN MOLI, Advocate,
No.16/C, Nandidurga Main Road,
Benson Town Post, Bangalore-560 046.
Phone: 9845045061.
Dated:18-4-2026 Bangalore.

BENGALURU METROPOLITAN TRANSPORT CORPORATION
Traffic Commercial Department, 2nd Floor, Shanthinagar TTMC, K.H. Road,Shanthinagar, Bengaluru-560 027.
No: BMTC/CO/TR/COM/2028/197/2026-27 Date: 17.04.2026

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION NO: 02/2026-27
(Through e-Procurement Platform)

Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation invites offers/bids from the interested individual/Firm/Agency/Company for **Commercial Space at Mallasandra Bus Stand with Package A & B** through e-procurement platform.

Date of Pre-Bid meeting	**23.04.2026 at 11:00hrs**	**Place: CTM(C)'s Chamber, 2nd Floor, Central Office, BMTC, Shanthinagar.**
Last date & time for submission of bids is on		**05.05.2026 up to 17:00 hrs.**
Opening of Technical bids is on		**06.05.2026 at 17:05 hrs.**
Opening of Financial bids is on		**To be Intimated later**

Further details in this regard can be obtained in the e-procurement portal **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in** or by Contacting: **09240214000, 09240214001, 080-22483777 or 7760997519 & 7760991222.**
E-mail: **ctmc@mybmtc.com.**

Sd/- Chief Traffic Manager (Com) (Tender Inviting Authority)

KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)
No: CEE/Tr(Op)ZM/SEE(O)/AEE-4/2026-27/338 Date: 16.04.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION (Through KPPP mode only)

KPTCL invites bid against the **Enquiry No: KPTCL/CEE/TZM/SEE(O)/AEE-4/2025-26/886 Dated: 09.04.2026** for procurement of EHV Grade Transformer oil (in non-returnable new steel barrels of 210 liters capacity) required for various works coming under Mysuru Zone.

The Bid will be received through electronic mode only. The detailed notification regarding the subject in E-Procurement process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** with hyperlink "E Procurement KPTCL" or **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in** on or after **17.04.2026.** Any other details can be had from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Chief Engineer (Elec.), Transmission (Operations) Zone, KPTCL, 1st Floor, Prasarana Bhavana, FTS Compound, N.R. Mohalla, Mysuru-570 007.

Zilla Panchayath, Tumkur
Office of the Executive Engineer, P.R.E. Division, Madhugiri
Tender Notification no:01/2025-26
Dated: 16.04.2026

Behalf of Governor of Karnataka, Tender for Various works under Various Head of accounts of P.R.E. Division, Madhugiri have been published in e portal. Registered and Eligible contractors may submit the bids within 27-04-2026 upto 16.00 PM through e procurement website. For more details Contact Ph. 080-25501216, 080-25501227 or visit KPP PORTAL.

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
P.R.E Division, Madhugiri
DIPR/TUM/25/KSMCA/2026-27

ಶ್ರೀ ಚಾಮುಂಡೇಶ್ವರಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ
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ದೂ. ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ : 0821–2590027, ಫ್ಯಾಕ್ಸ್: 0821/2590082, ಇ–ಮೇಲ್: eochamunditemple@gmail.com

ಪತ್ರ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:ಶ್ರೀಚಾಕ್ಷೇಅಪ್ರಾ(5)ಸಿಆರ್: /2026–27 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 16.04.2026

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ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಮಾತ್ರ (ದ್ವಿಲಕೋಟೆ)

ಮೈಸೂರು ಚಾಮುಂಡಿಬೆಟ್ಟ ಶ್ರೀ ಚಾಮುಂಡೇಶ್ವರಿ ದೇವಸ್ಥಾನದಲ್ಲಿ ಕಛೇರಿಯಿಂದ ಸೂಚಿತ ಅವಧಿಗೆ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ವಿವಿಧ ಬಾಬ್ತುಗಳಿಗೆ ಮರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಆಸಕ್ತರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ನಮೂನೆಯನ್ನು ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ **(https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in)** ಮೂಲಕ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬಹುದಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ತಿಳಿಸಿರುವಂತೆ (Technical qualification criteria)ದ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಅಗತ್ಯ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು. ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತೆ ನಿಗದಿಪಡಿಸಿದ ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ.ಯನ್ನು ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಿದ ಯಾವುದಾದರು ಒಂದು ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸತಕ್ಕದ್ದು, ಇ.ಎಂ.ಡಿ.ಯು ಟೆಂಡರಿನ ನ್ಯಾಯ ಸಮ್ಮತಾ ಮಾನ್ಯತಾ ಅವಧಿಗಿಂತ (Validity period) 45 ದಿನಗಳ ನಂತರದ ವರೆಗೆ ಮಾನ್ಯತೆ ಇರತಕ್ಕದ್ದು, ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಮಾಹಿತಿಗಳನ್ನು ಕಛೇರಿ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು.

ಕ್ರ ಸಂ	ವಿವರ	ಅಂದಾಜು ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.)	ಇಎಂಡಿ ಮೊತ್ತ (ರೂ.ಗಳಲ್ಲಿ)
1	ಶ್ರೀ ಚಾಮುಂಡೇಶ್ವರಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಸಮೂಹ ದೇವಸ್ಥಾನಗಳಿಗೆ ನಿತ್ಯ ಅನ್ನದಾಸೋಹ, ಹಾಗೂ ದೇವಸ್ಥಾನದ ದಿನ ನಿತ್ಯದ ಬಳಕೆಗೆ ಅಗತ್ಯವಾಗಿ ಬೇಕಾದ ದಿನಸಿ ಸಾಮಾಗ್ರಿಗಳ ಸರಬರಾಜು. (12 ತಿಂಗಳ ಅವಧಿಗೆ).	1,49,63,064	3,00,000
2	ಶ್ರೀ ಚಾಮುಂಡೇಶ್ವರಿ ಹಾಗೂ ಸಮೂಹ ದೇವಸ್ಥಾನಗಳಿಗೆ ಲಾಡು ಪ್ರಸಾದ ತಯಾರಿಕೆಗೆ ಅಗತ್ಯವಾಗಿ ಬೇಕಾದ ದಿನಸಿ ಸಾಮಾಗ್ರಿಗಳ ಸರಬರಾಜು. (12 ತಿಂಗಳ ಅವಧಿಗೆ)	3,99,27,300	8,00,000

ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಯಡಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಶೆಡ್ಯೂಲ್ ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳು ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತಿದೆ.

ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ	ವಿವರ	ದಿನಾಂಕಗಳು	ಸಮಯ
1	ಇ–ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳು ಚಾಲ್ತಿಗೆ ಬರುವುದು	ದಿ: 17.04.2026	ರ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ
2	ಪ್ರೀಬಿಡ್ಡಿಂಗ್ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿಗಳ ಕಛೇರಿ	ದಿ: 23.04.2026	ಮಧ್ಯಾಹ್ನ 12 ಗಂಟೆಗೆ
3	ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ವಿಚಾರಣೆಗೆ	ದಿ: 23.04.2026	ಸಂಜೆ 5 ಗಂಟೆಯವರೆಗೆ
4	ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಡೌನ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಲು ಮತ್ತು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ಕೊನೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ ಮತ್ತು ಸಮಯ.	ದಿ: 25.04.2026	ರ ಸಂಜೆ 5.00 ಗಂಟೆ ವರೆಗೆ
5	ತಾಂತ್ರಿಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ಗಳನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:	ದಿ: 26.04.2026	ರ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ
6	ಹಣಕಾಸಿನ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ತೆರೆಯುವ ದಿನಾಂಕ:	ದಿ: 28.04.2026	ರ ಬೆಳಿಗ್ಗೆ 11.00 ಗಂಟೆ ನಂತರ

ಸಹಿ/– ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿ
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BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I AT BANGALORE, BSNL BUILDING, 4TH FLOOR, RAJABHAVANA ROAD, BANGALORE
O.A. NO. 688/2021

Between:
M/s. ICICI Bank Limited
Having its branch office at:
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And:
1. Mr. Tino Thomas, S/o. Mrs. Marayamma Thomas, Aged about 37 years, Oasis Voyages Pvt. Ltd., No. 41, Chowdary Corner, First Floor, Hains Road, Frazer Town, Bangalore-560005. ...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDENT UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

WHEREAS: The applicant has instituted an application in the section 19 of recovery of debts due to Banks and Financial Institution Act, 1993 against the you for recovery of a sum of Rs. 79,25,689/- (Rupees Seventy-Nine Lakh Twenty-Five Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty-Nine Only) together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs. The above mentioned defendant is required to appear therefore here by direct to appear before the tribunal in person is through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on 09/07/2026 at 10.30 am as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.
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The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs meeting chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday, approved Rajahmundry (Nidadavolu) - Visakhapatnam (Duvvada) 3rd and 4th rail lines at a cost of ₹9,889 crore. While the route length is 198 km, the track length will be 458 km

DMK spreading fear over reduction of LS seats in Tamil Nadu, says Modi

PM Narendra Modi during a public meeting ahead of TN polls, in Coimbatore on Saturday | S SENBAGAPANDIYAN

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Coimbatore

PRIME Minister Naredra Modi on Saturday said the DMK, with no achievements to showcase and no real issues to raise, have resorted to spreading fear about a reduction in Tamil Nadu's seats in the Lok Sabha.

Addressing the campaign meeting to seek votes for candidates of NDA alliance in Coimbatore on Saturday, he said, DMK had earlier said that the current proportional representation must be maintained - and we had also proposed the same. But now these people have taken a U-turn. Then, why does it trouble DMK and Congress to see ordinary women getting their rights? This one family wants power to remain confined within their own family."

"In 2023, we passed the Women's Reservation Bill and on April 16, we took a historic step towards implementing women's reservation in Parliament and legislative assemblies. Personally, I had appealed to all political parties to support it. I told them very clearly that they may take the credit; I have no objection. I only wanted sisters from ordinary families to be able to come to Parliament and Vidhan Sabha in greater numbers. But unfortunately, this noble effort was delayed. DMK, Congress, and their allies made it a target of hatred and petty politics," he said.

FM: 'Visionless' DMK cost TN women LS representation

NEW DELHI: Union Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Saturday trained guns at the DMK and its ally Congress, alleging that they have made Tamil Nadu lose out on an opportunity for women's representation in Parliament and the state Assembly. "Due to the short-sighted, stubborn, visionless and anti-women DMK, Tamil Nadu may end up losing more, instead of gaining," she said. Her remarks came after AIADMK leader Edappadi K Palaniswami slammed the DMK, claiming that Tamil Nadu lost the opportunity to increase its political power and its rightful share of 20 more MP seats due to Chief Minister MK Stalin's "blind opposition" to a bill that sought to implement reservation for women in legislatures from 2029 and increase the Lok Sabha seats. **ENS**

AIADMK just a mask, BJP and RSS anti-Tamil: Rahul

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai/ Vellore/ Tiruchy

CONGRESS leader Rahul Gandhi on Saturday accused the BJP and RSS of attempting to weaken Tamil Nadu's voice in Parliament through delimitation, and called the AIADMK a "hollow shell" controlled by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah.

The Leader of Opposition was campaigning for Secular Progressive Alliance candidates in Ponneri near Tiruvallur. Later in the day, he addressed meetings in support of alliance candidates in Sholinghur in Ranipet and Thuraiyur in Tiruchy districts. In Ponneri, Rahul said the delimitation bid was designed to reduce TN's share of parliamentary seats and weaken the political strength of southern, small, and north-eastern states.

"We defeated the bill yesterday. We defeated the bill to defend the idea of India," he said, referring to the opposition's pushback against the Constitution Amendment Bill on Friday. In Ranipet, he recalled the parliament session. "Yesterday, you might have seen what Modi and Shah tried to do in Parliament. They told the nation a lie. They said they were trying to pass Women's Reservation Bill but hidden behind the bill was a diabolical idea. They wanted to change the electoral map of India," he lashed out. "The entire opposition stood like a rock and opposed it.

Rahul also alleged that Modi and Shah wanted a Chief Minister in Tamil Nadu who would take orders from Delhi. "Narendra Modi and Amit Shah believe that Tamil Nadu can be ruled from Delhi. We believe the people of Tamil Nadu should decide the future of Tamil Nadu," he said. "Modi has been thoroughly compromised and controlled by Donald Trump. Whatever Trump says Modi will do. That is exactly what Modi wants the AIADMK chief Palaniswami to do," he alleged.

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi holds a clay pot during a public rally in Tiruchirappalli on Saturday | MK ASHOK KUMAR

INDUSTRIAL PUSH

Telangan CM A Revanth Reddy submits a petition to Union Minister for Steel and Heavy Industries HD Kumaraswamy and Minister of State for Steel Bhupathi Srinivasa Varma, in New Delhi on Saturday for a green steel plant in Bayyaram | EXPRESS

EXPRESS READ

PROLONGED MARITAL DISPUTES FUEL BITTERNESS, WASTE COURT TIME: ORISSA HC

CUTTACK: Emphasising reconciliation over retribution in matrimonial disputes, the Orissa High Court has quashed criminal proceedings against a husband after noting an amicable settlement between the couple. A single judge bench of Justice SK Panigrahi was considering a petition filed by a husband seeking to quash a case arising out of Udit Nagar police station Case No 64 of 2016. The case had been registered under Sections 498-A, 323, 354, 506 and 34 of the Indian Penal Code, based on allegations of physical assault and harassment made by the wife against her husband and in-laws. During the hearing, both parties informed the court that they had resolved their disputes amicably with the intervention of family members and local elders. A joint affidavit submitted before the court stated that the couple is now living together separately from the husband's family and that the wife no longer wished to pursue the case. The affidavit also clarified that the settlement was voluntary and free from coercion. In the April 9 judgment, Justice Panigrahi observed that encouraging reconciliation allows parties to reflect on their shortcomings. **ENS**

ISRO: We hold 8,000 tests for human missions

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Hyderabad

AS India looks beyond Earth's orbit and deeper into space, its human spaceflight ambitions are entering a decisive phase, with a series of missions set to shape the country's next chapter in space exploration.

The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) stands at the threshold of a defining phase, as it prepares for the first uncrewed mission under the Gaganyaan initiative in 2026, a crucial step towards sending Indians into space.

Speaking at a national conference organised by the Aeronautical Society of India, ISRO Chairman V Narayanan said the agency completes nearly 8,000 tests and experiments to human-rate its launch systems and crew escape mechanisms. He outlines plans for a G20 satellite mission around 2027, reflecting India's expanding role. The Gaganyaan programme unfolds as a carefully structured series of eight missions, including three uncrewed flights, two crewed missions, two docking experiments and one mission linked to the proposed Bharatiya Antariksh Station. Scheduled between 2028 and 2035, the BAS programme forms a cornerstone of long-term ambitions.

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(Under Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the **ARM Branch II, Bangalore of Canara Bank,** the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of will be sold on **12.05.2026 from 01.00 PM to 03.00 PM "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrowers. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below. **(Amount in Lakhs)**

Sl. No.	Borrower and Guarantor Name/ Description of the movable / immovable assets:	Total Liabilities as per Sale Notice	Description of the immovable assets:	Auction Date & Time	Reserve Price & EMD	Incremental value at the Bid
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			(1) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 191, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/191 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows: East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.190, South by: Site No.192		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(2) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 199, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/199 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows:East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.198, South by: Site No.200		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(3) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 200, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/200 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows: East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.199South by: Site No.201		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(4) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 201, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/201 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 60 ft and bounded as follows:East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra & GouthamchandNorth by: Site No.200, South by: 20 ft. Road		**Rs. 64,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 6,40,000.00**	
			(5) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 202, Kaneshumari No.304/202 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 27 ft and North South 60 ft and bounded as follows: East by : Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand, West by : Road, North by: Site No.203, South by: Property of Subhadra & Gouthamchand		**Rs. 28,58,000.00 EMD: Rs. 2,85,800.00**	
			(6) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 243, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/243 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 40 ft and North South 30 ft and bounded as follows: East by : Site No. 242, West by : 20 ft. Road, North by: Site No.204, South by: Remaining portion of property.		**Rs. 21,17,000.00 EMD: Rs. 2,11,700.00**	
			(7) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 255, formed in Sy No 125/1,124/3 and 124/2 Kaneshumari No.304/255 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 60 ft and North South 40 ft and bounded as follows:East by : 20 ft. Road, West by : Property of Subhadra and Gouthamchand, North by: Site No.254, South by: Site No. 256		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(8) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 286, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari No.305/286 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 24 ft and North South (52+55)/2 ft and bounded as follows:East by : Site No. 22,West by : Site no.287, North by: Property of Jayaramu and sites of Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Rs. 22,65,000.00 EMD: Rs. 2,26,500.00**	
			(9) All that piece and parcel of immovable property land bearing Plot No. 290, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari No.305/290 situated at Sunnaghatta Village, Neelasandra Grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara Dist. measuring East West 41 ½ ft and North South 57, towards west 60 ft (41 ½ *(57+60)/2) and bounded as follows: East by : Site No. 289, West by : Site no.291, North by: Property of Jayaramu and sites of Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(10) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.291, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/291 situated at Sunnaghatta village, NeelaSandra grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapatna Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows: East by: Site no 290, West by: Site no 292, North by: Sites of Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(11) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.292, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/292 situated at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows East by: Site no 291,West by: Site no 293, North by: Property of Jayaramu and Sites of Tahsildar Office, South by: Road.		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(12) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.293, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/293 situated at unnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk,Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows East by: Site no 292, West by: Site no 294, North by: Property of Jayaramu and Sites Tahsildar Office, South by: Road		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(13) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.295, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/295 at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows East by: Site no 294,West by: Site no 296, North by: Property of Jayaramu , South by: Road		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(14) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.296, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/296 situated at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as followsEast by: Site no 295, West by: Site no 297, North by: Property of Jayaramu , South by: Road		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(15) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.297, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/297 situated at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as followsEast by: Site no 296, West by: Site no 298, North by: Property of Jayaramu , South by: Road		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(16) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.298, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/298 situated at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as followsEast by: Site no 297, West by: Site no 299, North by: Property of Jayaramu , South by: Road.		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(17) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.299, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/299 situated at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasaba Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as followsEast by: Site no 298, West by: Site no 300, North by: Property of Jayaramu , South by: Road		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(18) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no. 300, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/300 at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows East by: Site no 299, West by: Site no 301, North by: Property of Jayaramu , South by: Road		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(19) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.301, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/301 situated at Sunnaghatta village,Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as followsEast by: Site no 300, West by: Site no 302, North by: Property of Jayaramu , South by: Road		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(20) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site no.302, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/302 at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat,Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows East by: Site no 301, West by: Site no 303, North by: Property of Jayaramu , South by: Road.		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(21) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing site no.303, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/303 at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli,Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as followsEast by: Site no 302, West by: Property of Sheshanna,Gangadhar, North by: Property of Jayaramu , South by: Road		**Rs. 43,00,000.00 EMD: Rs. 4,30,000.00**	
			(22) All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing plot no.304, formed in Sy No 124/2 Kaneshumari no 305/304 at Sunnaghatta village, Neelasandra grama panchayat, Kasabaa Hobli, Channapattana Taluk, Ramanagara District measuring east to West 28 feet and North to South 60 feet bounded as follows East by: Private Property, West by: Site no 305, North by: Road, South by: Property of Puttaswamy.		**Rs. 30,29,000.00 EMD: Rs. 3,02,900.00**	

OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS : (a) Auction / bidding shall be only through "Online Electronic Bidding" through the website **https://baanknet.com/** Bidders are advised to go through the website for detailed terms before taking part in the e-auction sale proceedings. **(b)** The property can be inspected, with Prior Appointment with Authorised Officer. **(c)** The property will be sold for the price which is more than the Reserve Price and the participating bidders may improve their offer further during auction process. **(d)** EMD amount of 10% of the Reserve Price is to be deposited in E-Wallet of **M/s PSB Alliance Private Limited (Baanknet)** portal directly or by generating the Challan therein to deposit the EMD through RTGS/NEFT in the account details as mentioned in the said challan. **(e)** After payment of the EMD amount, the intending bidders should submit a copy of the following documents/details on or before **11.05.2026,** to Canara Bank, ARM Branch II Bangalore by hand OR Email. **(i)** Demand Draft/Pay order towards EMD amount. If paid through RTGS/NEFT Acknowledgement receipt thereof with UTR No. **(ii)** Photocopies of PAN Card, ID Proof and Address proof. However, successful bidder would have to produce these documents in original to the Bank at the time of making payment of balance amount of 25% of bid amount. **(iii)** Bid Form. The intending bidders should register their names at portal **https://baanknet.com/**and get their User ID and password free of cost. Prospective bidder may avail online training on E- auction from the service provider, M/s.PSB Alliance (Baanknet) - e- mail: **support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com.** EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded to them. The EMD/Sale proceeds shall not carry any interest. **(f)** Auction would commence at Reserve Price, as mentioned above. Bidders shall improve their offers in multiplies of **Rs.25,000/-.** The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the Reserve price) on closure of 'Online' auction shall be declared as successful bidder. Sale shall be confirmed in favour of the successful bidder, subject to confirmation of the same by the secured creditor. **(g)** The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD already paid), immediately on declaring him/her as the successful bidder and the balance within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the secured creditor. If the successful bidder fails to pay the sale price, the deposit made by him shall be forfeited by the Authorized Officer without any notice and property shall forthwith be put up for sale again. This amount shall be deposited by way of Demand draft in favour of Authorized Officer, Canara Bank, ARM II Branch OR shall be deposited through RTGS / NEFT / Fund Transfer to credit of account of **Canara Bank, ARM II Branch, A/c. No. 209272434, IFSC Code: CNRB0006298. (h)** For sale proceeds of **Rs.50.00 Lakhs** (Rupees Fifty lacs) and above, the successful bidder will have to deduct TDS at a rate 1% or as applicable on the sale proceeds and submit the original receipt of TDS certificate to the bank. **(i)** All charges for Conveyance, Stamp Duty/GST/Registration Charges etc. As applicable shall be borne by the successful bidder only. **(j)** Authorised Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the E-auction without assigning any reason thereof. **(k)** In case there are bidders who do not have access to the internet but interested in participating the E-auction, they can approach Canara Bank Circle office, Bengaluru or Canara Bank ARM II Branch, Bengaluru, who as a facilitating centre shall make necessary arrangements. **(l)** Bidder has to make due diligence and physical verification of property with regard to title, extent, area, dues, suits and cases etc. No claim subsequent to submission of bid shall be entertained by the bank. **(m)** After confirmation of sale, bidder's request cannot be accepted for refund of amount which is already paid and Bank will proceed as per SARFAESI Act.

For further details contact Chief Manager,Canara Bank, ARM Branch-2-(9113092975, 8921102717, 9993777728, 9464534482, 8709675503 and 080-25310181) e-mail id – cb6298@canarabank.com OR the service provider M/s.PSB Alliance(Baanknet) - e- mail: support.BAANKNET@psballiance.com

SPECIAL INSTRUCTION / CAUTION

Bidding in the last minutes/seconds should be avoided by the bidders in their own interest. Neither Canara Bank nor the Service Provider will be responsible for any lapses/failure (Internet failure, Power failure, etc.) on the part of the bidder or vendor in such cases. In order to ward off such contingent situation, bidders are requested to make all the necessary arrangements/alternatives such as back –up, power supply and whatever else required so that they are able to circumvent such situation and are able to participate in the auction successfully.

Date : 18.04.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised officer
Canara Bank

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
DIVISION KOPPAL. Phone No:08539-222318.email:eepwdkpl2@gmail.com

IFT No. PWD:DK:Tender: 2026-27:168 **Date: 16-04-2026.**

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDER (IFT)

The Executive Engineer, Public works Department Division Koppal invites tenders from the eligible tenderers as per standard bid documents on http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in Portal. Head of Account: KKRDB Macro-General Budget Para & State Zone & General/2025-26, GDQ – SCP, TSP, 4059-80-051-0-60-132 CMIDP / 2025-26, KKRDB Micro Social – SCP, TSP, General, SDP Nonsocial SCP, TSP, General SDP/2023-24S, 5054-04-337-0-01-154-MDR Improvements Plan/2025-26 and 2059-80-053-4-00-200 Departmental Building Maintenance/ 2025-26. Two cover Tender procedure as per Rule 28 of the KTPP Act shall be followed. For more information the contractor can contact the under signed during office hours on Phone No. 08539 – 222318 and all informations regarding tenders can be had from website http://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. 13 Works (Work Indent No:35345, 34423, 34344, 34349, 34454,34480, 32562, 35543, 27445, 34215, 33755, 32299/CALL-2, 0798)Last Date & Time for receipt of tenders **04-05-2026** Time 12.00, Date and Time for opening of Technical Bid 05-05-2026Time 12.30, Date and Time for opening of Financial Bid **08-05-2026** Time 12.30. Minimum & Estimate Maximum Amount **Rs. 25.00 Lakhs &Rs. 999.00 Lakhs** respectively. The tender documents can be downloaded from the above website address, EMD, Date & Time for Pre-bid meeting, Tender Queries/Clarification & Other information as mentioned in KPPP Portal. Any changes either in tender date or any other condition tenderers can view in KPPP portal.

DIPR/Koppal/40/KSMCA/2026-27 **Sd/- EE, PWD Division, Koppal**

RAICHUR URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, RAICHUR

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E-mail: rudaraichur@gmail.com, Website: https://ruda.karnataka.gov.in
Phone No: 08532-220435 Fax No: 08532-220689

No: RUDA/TECH/CA/ALLOT/01/2026-27/ DATE:18-04-2026

Notification for Civic Amenity Sites Allotment:

Karnataka Urban Development Authorities (Civic Amenities Allotment) Rules 1991 U/s 3(3)

The Raichur Urban Development Authority has invited applications for allotment of Civic Amenity Sites on the basis of 30 years Lease Agreement available in the approved private layouts of its project area to Central Government / State Government Organizations, Aided Government Organizations and Eligible Trusts/Societies/ Organizations.

1) The prescribed application form can be obtained at the office of the authority by payment of Rs.1,000/- The completed application form should be submitted to the Commissioner, Raichur Urban Development Authority, Raichur on or before Date: 28-04-2026 at 01-30 pm. Subsequent applications or applications that have not been filled properly will be rejected without consideration.

Further information / details can be made to the Office of the Authority during office hours and has been published to the Index.

DIP/RCR/25KSMCA/27/2026-27 **Sd/- Commissioner, Urban Development Authority, Raichur.**

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರ
ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಮಹಾವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ ಮತ್ತು ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ, ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ

No. : KMCRI/SUP(5)/MICROBIOLOGY/TENDER-01/18/2026-27 dated 16.04.2026

ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ (ಇ–ಪ್ರೋಕ್ಯೂರಮೆಂಟ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ)

ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಮಹಾವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ ಮತ್ತು ಸಂಶೋಧನಾ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆ, ಹುಬ್ಬಳ್ಳಿ ಇವರು ಅರ್ಹ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ದಾರರು, ಉತ್ಪಾದಕರು, ಅಧೀಕೃತ ಏಜೆಂಟ್ಸ್ ಮತ್ತು ಅಧಿಕೃತ ವಿತರಕರಿಂದ ಕೆ.ಎಂ.ಸಿ.ಆರ್.ಐ. ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆಗೆ ಅವಶ್ಯವಿರುವ **MICROBIOLOGY ವಿಭಾಗಕ್ಕೆ 14 ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಉಪಕರಣಗಳನ್ನು** ಖರೀದಿಸಲು ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕ ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಪೂರೈಕೆ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ 1999 ಶಾಸನ 2000 ಅನ್ವಯ ಇ–ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ ಆಹ್ವಾನಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ದಾಖಲೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪ್ಲೊಸೆಸಿಂಗ್ ಶುಲ್ಕ ಇತ್ಯಾದಿ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನ **https://www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪಡೆಯಬಹುದು. ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರಿಯು ಯಾವುದೇ ಕಾರಣ ನೀಡದೇ ಟೆಂಡರನ್ನು ತಿರಸ್ಕರಿಸುವ ಅಧಿಕಾರವನ್ನು ಹೊಂದಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ.

ಸಹಿ/– (ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು)
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KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)
Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, Dam Safety Unit-2, Almatti- 586201.
E-mail:dam_division@rediffmail.com

No: KBJNL/DDA/PB-1/2025-26/84 Dated:16.04.2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal Only)

On behalf of the Managing Director, KBJNL, Bangalore the undersigned invites tender on Item Rate & Percentage basis from the eligible contractors for the work indents of **Two Cover** – (1) I .No. 2782– 25.01 Lakhs (2) I. No. SE0277—135.50 Lakhs **The contractor can have access and submit e-tender from 17.04.2026 to 27.04.2026 up to 5-00 PM. Pre-Bid Meeting Executive Engineer, KBJNL, Dam Safety Unit-2 Almatti For I.No. SE0277 is 24.04.2026 Cover-II (Technical) Bid will be opened on 29.04.2026 at 11-00AM for Two Covers & Financial Bid Opened on Dt: 04.05.2026** at the Office of the Executive Engineer, KBJNL, Dam Division, Almatti. For clarifications office of the undersigned may be contacted during office hours (Phone No. 08426-281027). Further information about electronic tendering can be had from kppp.karnataka.gov.in.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, KBJNL, Dam Safety Unit-2, Almatti

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BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL- II
AT BANGALORE, BSNL BUILDING, 4TH FLOOR, RAJABHAVANA ROAD, BANGALORE
O.A. NO. 879/2022

Between:
M/s. ICICI BANK LIMITED,
Having its office at, No. 4/101, Mytree Centre, 3rd Floor, Near Oxford College, Bommanahalli Hosur Road, Bengaluru- 560068.
And also at-
No. 331, Ulsoor Road, Ulsoor Branch, Bengaluru- 560042 Represented by its Collection Manager
Mr. Pramodh G. ...Applicant
And:
1. Mr. Ramakrishna Mundra
S/o Mr. Hanumantharao Mundra
Aged about 41 years, No. 45, 8th Cross, 4th Main, Sir M. V. Nagar Kalkare Main Road, Ramamurthy Nagar, Pochana Temple, Bengaluru- 560016.
And also available at-
No. 13, 2nd Cross, N. S. Road, K.R. Puram, Bangalore- 560036
...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDENT UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

WHEREAS: The applicant has instituted an application in the section 19 of recovery of debts due to Banks and Financial Institution Act, 1993 against the you for recovery of a sum of Rs. 20,84,668.41/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Eighty-Four Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty Eight and Paisa Forty-One Only) together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs. The The above mentioned defendant is required to appear therefore here by direct to appear before the tribunal in person is through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on 18/05/2026 at 10.30 am as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice that in cause default the application will be heard and determine in your absence.
Given under my hand & the seal of the tribunal on this 04th Day of April, 2026.

The Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bangalore

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited

(CIN : U40109KA1999SGC025521)

NOTIFICATION

No.: EE(E)/AEE(O)/AE(T)/PD/MYSURU/2026-27/91 Date: 10.04.2026

KPTCL has formulated a scheme under section 28 and clause(e) of section 18 of the Indian Electricity Supply Act 1948 and the scheme is herewith published in pursuance of section 29(2) of the said act and also under Indian Electricity Act 2003 section 67 to be read with 67(2), this notification is issued for information of the General public. Particulars of scheme are as here under.

Name of the work: Establishing 2X20MVA, 66/11kV **Rangasamudra** (Madegowdanahundi) and Construction of Proposed 66kV LILO line on 110kV DC Tower using Coyote Conductor from the existing 66kV Vajamangala-Bannur SC line to the proposed 66/11kV sub-station at Rangasamudra (Madegowdana hundi) for a distance of 0.215 Kms in T.Narasipura Taluk, Mysuru District.

Salient Feature: To ensure reliable power supply and to meet the anticipated future load growth in and around **Rangasamudra** and the adjoining villages.

Approximate length line: **0.215 kms.**

Approximate cost: **1861.48 Lakhs.**

Transmission line passes through the boundary of the survey numbers of the following villages Passing Through:

Hobli: T. Narasipura, **Taluk:** T. Narasipura, **District:** Mysuru.

Sl. No.	Name of the Village	Survey No.
1	Madegowdanahundi	7
2	Pattehundi	75

Name of the work: Estimate for Establishing 2X20MVA, 66/11kV **Sarkari Uttanahalli** by Running of 66kV 630Sqmm Double Circuit UG cable from Existing 66kV D.K.Maidana - Kadkola S/C line to the Proposed 66/11kV S/S at Sarkari Uttanahalli in Mysuru Taluk, Mysuru District for a length of **2.756 kms.**

Salient Feature: To ensure reliable power supply and to meet the anticipated future load growth in and around **Sarkari Uttanahalli** and the adjoining villages.

Approximate length line: **2.75 kms**

Approximate cost: **Rs. 5065.02 Lakhs.**

Transmission line passes through the boundary of the survey numbers of the following villages Passing Through: **Hosahundi, Bandipalya, Sarkari Uttanahalli.**

KPTCL shall have and exercise all powers under the section 164 of Indian Electricity Act 2003 read with para (iii) of the Indian Telegraph act 1885 (10 to 19 & 19A of 1885) for implementation of the above said scheme. Any objection regarding the above scheme shall be sent to the undersigned office within **30(Thirty) days** from the date of Publication of this notification for consideration by Corporation.

Sd/-. Executive Engineer (Ele), Projects Division, KPTCL, N.R. Mohalla, Mysuru - 570 007.

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E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 21.05.2026

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Constructive Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is"and "As is what is" basis on 21.05.2026** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **20.05.2026 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Incremental Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) Mr.Vinod M** S/o Mr.Muni Yelappa, **(2) Mrs.Radha** W/o Mr.Vinod M **Both are residing at :** E-495, Janatha Colony, Jigani, Bangalore Urban, Bangalore-560105. **Loan A/c No.: TL A/c No.9667001600002601**	**Rs.70,21,618.32/- (Rupees Seventy Lakh Twenty One Thousand Six Hundred Eighteen and Paise Thirty Two Only) 17.04.2026**	**26.05.2023 Constructive**	All that part and parcel of immovable property bearing **No.459, Khata No.106/40,** measuring 0.02 gunta (2450.25 Sq.ft) as per document , with residential building constructed thereon, situated at Jigani Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District belonging to **Mrs. Radha R, Boundaries of property as per document: East by :** Muniyappa's Property, **West by :** Chandrappa's Property, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Gowramma's Property. **Property Location: 12.798506,77.643053**	**Rs. 1,05,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Five Lakh Only)**	**Rs. 10,50,000/- (Rupees Ten Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)**	**10.00 AM to 10.15 AM**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru – Global Village A/c No: 9663500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000966**

(The borrower's/mortgagor's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured asset).
(This Notice shall also serve as Notice under Sub Rule (6) of Rule 8/Sub Rule (1) of Rule 9 of Security Interest Enforcement Rules-2002 to the Borrower/Guarantors).
For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.bank.in under the head "Auction Notice".
The E-auction will be conducted through portal www.auctionbazaar.com on **21.05.2026** at above mentioned time with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **www.auctionbazaar.com** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **20.05.2026**) from **M/s ARCA EMART PVT LTD** (Known by their **website: www.auctionbazaar.com**) Auction Bazaar, 7-1-28/1/A/1, Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Telangana, India – 500016, E-mail : **contact@auctionbazaar.com and disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date : 17.04.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer, Karnataka Bank Ltd.

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Asset Recovery Management Branch,
1st Floor, FKCCI Building, Kempegowda Road, Bengaluru-560009.
Phone: 080-22955928(Gen)/22955929(AGM)
E-Mail: blr.arm@ktkbank.com
Website: https://karnatakabank.bank.in
CIN: L85110KA1924PLC001128

MEGA E-AUCTION
NOTICE OF SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES ON 08.05.2026

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) / Rule 9 (1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical Possession** of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer (details mentioned below), will be sold on **"As is where is"and "As is what is" basis on 08.05.2026** at the below mentioned timings for recovery of dues with further interest and cost thereon due to the **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

The details are as under: Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **07.05.2026 at 4.00 pm** through online payment to the Account No. details of which are given below or by way of DD favouring **Karnataka Bank Ltd.**

Sl. No.	Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors/ Co-Obligants and Loan Account No.	Balance O/S Rs. Future Interest From + Costs	Possession Date Possession Type	Description of the Property/ies	Reserve Price (Rs.)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Rs.	Auction Time	Incremental Value of the Bid	Branch Name & Account Details for Remitting EMD/ IFSC Code
1	**(1) Mr. Venkatesh V,** S/o Mr. Vardaraj, **(2) Mrs. Kavitha Venkatesh N,** W/o Mr. Venkatesh V, **Both are R/at :** No.2518, 14th Main, 64th Cross, Kumaraswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560078, **Also at:-** Flat No. 009, GF, "SPRING SERENITY", Hennur Main Road, Hennur Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru-560043. **Loan A/c Nos.: (1) TL No. 9457001600006001 (2) TL No. 9457001600006801**	**Total Rs.98,49,494.00/- (Rupees Ninety Eight Lakh Forty Nine Thousand Four Hundred and Ninety Four Only) [(1) Rs. 86,04,518.00 12.06.2023 + (2) Rs. 12,44,976.00 09.06.2023]**	**12.02.2025 Physical**	All that piece and parcel of **Residential Flat bearing Flat No.009, 2 BHK,** in the **Ground Floor** of Apartment called as **"SPRING SERENITY",** measuring Super Built up area of **1300 Sq.ft.** along with one car parking in stilt floor with an undivided share of land measuring **493 Sq.ft.** out of land measuring **24079 Sq.ft.,** constructed on the property bearing **Municipal No.616/31/7,** situated at Hennur Village, Hennur Main Road, Kasaba Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru-560043. **belonging to Mr. Venkatesh.V and Mrs. Kavitha Venkatesh.V. Boundaries of Property : East by :** Remaining part of Survey No.31/7, **West by:** Hennur Main Road and Private Property, **North by:** Remaining part of Survey No.31/7, **South by:** Private Property. **Boundaries of Flat Property : East by :** Corridor & Open Area, **West by:** Open to Sky, **North by :** Open to Sky, **South by :** Flat No.008.	**Rs. 71,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakh Only)**	**Rs. 7,10,000/- (Rupees Seven Lakh Ten Thousand Only)**	**4.00 PM to 4.15 PM**	**Rs. 50,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch: Bengaluru - Kaggadasapura A/c No: 9453500200004101 IFSC: KARB0000945**
2	**(1) M/s Golden Aqua Traders Represented by its Partners i) Mr. K Brahmananda Reddy and ii) Mr. Veludruthi Balaji Addressed at :** No.425, K No.1225,Kiran Kuteera, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Talacauvery Layout, Amruthhalli, Bengaluru-560092 **(2) Mr. K Brahmananada Reddy, S**/o Mr. Chowdi Reddy **Addressed at :** No.425, K No.1225, Kiran Kutera, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Talacaauvery Layout, Amruthhalli, Bangalore-560092 **(3) Veludruthi Balaji ,** S/o Mr. Veludruthi Ramu, **Addressed at :** No.5-109-1, Rajakulapeta, Palakoderu Mandalam, West Godavari, Andhra Pradesh -534210 **(4) Mrs. Aruna Brahma,** W/o Mr. K Brahmananda Reddy **Addressed at:** No.425, K No.1225, Kiran Kuteera, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Talacauvery Layout, Amruthhalli, Bengaluru-560092 **(5) Ms. Sona B,** D/o Mr. K Brahmananda Reddy **Addressed at :** No.425, K No.1225, Kiran Kuteera, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Talacauvery Layout, Amruthhalli, Bengaluru-560092. **Loan A/c No.: (1) PSOD A/c No.7927000601011701 (2) PDPN A/c No.0537001400017701 (3) PSTL A/c No. 7927001800119701**	**Total Rs.14,04,03,468.41 [Rupees Fourteen Crore Four Lakh Three Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Eight and Paise Forty One Only] [(1) Rs. 12,47,18,656.67 01.04.2026 (2) Rs. 1,20,12,197.50 09.02.2026 (3) Rs.36,72,614.24 11.04.2026]**	**30.12.2025 & Physical Possession**	**Item No:1 :** All that piece and parcel of the residential **3 BHK Flat No. B-425** situated in the B Block, Fourth Floor, of the Multi-Storeyed building known as **"SVS Patels's Cllisto"** having a built up area of **1605 sq ft** along with 667.60 Sq.Ft of Undivided Share, right ,title and interest over the property bearing Sy No.13 totally measuring 3 acres 39 guntas & site bearing No.398 measuring 1268 sq ft, both situated at Talakaverinagr, Amruthahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and amalgamated as one property totally measuring totally measuring 1,74,419 Sq ft with BBMP Khata No. 1307/1143-6/1/398/13, with one covered parking space in B Block with rights over all open spaces and common areas of the building belonging to **Mr. K Brahmananda Reddy .Boundaries of Flat : East by :**Open to Sky, **West by :** Entrance /Corridor & Flat No.B-426, **North by :** Open to Sky, **South by :** Duct/Lift/Staircase.	**Rs. 1,18,75,000/- (Rupees One Crore Eighteen Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Only)**	**Rs. 11,87,500/- (Rupees Eleven Lakh Eighty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Only)**	**2.45 PM to 3.00 PM**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	**Karnataka Bank Ltd Branch : Bengaluru – Ashoknagar A/c No: 0533500200004101 IFSC:KARB0000053**
			23.06.2025 & Physical Possession	**Item No. 2:** All that piece and parcel of the **Site No.26/P measuring 1520 Sqft ,** in BDA approved Layout names as **"Rajivgandhinagar",** NTI Layout, 2nd Phase, bangalore-which is carved out Sy No.82, of Byatarayanapura Village , Yelhanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District with AC Street Structure situated there belonging **Mr. K Brahmananda Reddy .** Boundaries of Property : **East by :** Site No.26/O, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Site No 26/A, **South by :** Road.	**Rs. 1,90,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Ninety Lakh Only**	**Rs. 19,00,000/- (Rupees Nineteen Lakh Only)**	**03.00 PM to 03.15 PM**	**Rs. 1,00,000/-**	

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For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to link in Karnataka Bank's Website i.e. https://karnatakabank.bank.in under the head "Auction Notice".
The E-auction will be conducted through portal www.auctionbazaar.com on **08.05.2026** at above mentioned time with unlimited extension of 05 minutes. The intending bidder is required to register their name at **www.auctionbazaar.com** and get the user Id and password free of cost and get training i.e. online training on E-auction (tentatively on **07.05.2026**) from **M/s ARCA EMART PVT LTD** (Known by their **website: www.auctionbazaar.com**) Auction Bazaar, 7-1-28/1/A/1, Park Avenue 1, Ameerpet, Begumpet, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Telangana, India – 500016, E-mail : **contact@auctionbazaar.com and disposal.karnataka@auctionbazaar.com.**

Date : 18.04.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Assistant General Manager & Authorised Officer, Karnataka Bank Ltd.

KARNATAKA STATE POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

#49, "Parisara Bhavan", 1st to 5th Floor, Church Street, Bengaluru-560001, Karnataka,
Phone: 25581383, 25589112, 25586520, Fax: 080-25586321
E-mail: ho@kspcb.gov.in, Website: https://kspcb.karnataka.gov.in

NO.No. PCB/WMC-1/SWM (KLR)/5/2021/2026-27/196 **DATE: 17.04.2026**

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTIFICATION

City Municipal Council, Malur has proposed to setup of Integrated Municipal Solid Waste Management Processing and Disposal Facility (SWMP & DF) of capacity 50 TPD at Sy. No. 96, in an extent area of 5.0 Acres at Doddaiggaluru Village, Malur Taluk and Kolar District, Karnataka.

As Per Environment Impact Assessment Notification dated: 14.09.2006 and Amendment dated: 01.12.2009, the project proponent has to obtain prior Environmental Clearance from the State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SLEIAA), Karnataka and is required to go through Environmental Public Hearing (EPH) process. As per the Terms of Reference letter No. SEIAA 21 IND 2025, dated: 30.09.2025 of State Level Environmental Impact Assessment Authority - Karnataka and request letter of the project proponent dated: 15.11.2025 and 20.01.2026, the EPH is scheduled on **20.05.2026.**

The details of the proposed new project are as follows:

1. Name of the local body & Address : Commissioner City Municipal Council, Malur, Kolar District

2. Proposed location of the project : Sy. No. 96, Doddaiggaluru Village, Malur Taluk and Kolar District, Karnataka.

3. Details of project proposed : Proposed to setting up of Integrated Municipal Solid Waste Management Processing and Disposal Facility (SWMP & DF) of capacity 50 TPD at Sy. No. 96, in an extent area of 5.0 Acres at Doddaiggaluru Village, Malur Taluk and Kolar District, Karnataka.

4. Date, time and venue of Public hearing : 20.05.2026 Wednesday at 10.30 AM at Sy. No. 96, Doddaiggaluru Village, Malur Taluk and Kolar District, Karnataka.

5. Places of availability of project documents as per EIA Notification, which is kept open to public are : **(a)** Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District. **(b)** Chief Executive Officer, Kolar Zilla Panchayat, Kolar District. **(c)** District Industries Centre, Kolar District. **(d)** Taluk Panchayath Office, Malur Taluk, Kolar District. **(e)** Tahasildar Office, Malur Taluk, Kolar District. **(f)** City Municipal Council, Malur Taluk, Kolar District **(g)** Office of the Senior Environmental Officer-Bengaluru East, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, 1st Floor, Nisarga Bhavan, 7th D Main, Thimmaiah Road, Shivanagar, Saneguruvanahalli, Bengaluru – 560079. **(h)** Office of the Regional Office, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Kolar, Plot No. 14 'B', KIADB Indl Area, Bethamangala Road, Tamaka, Kolar - 563101. **(i)** Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change, South Zone Office, E-3/240, Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F Wings, 17th Main Road, 2nd Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru – 560 034. **(j)** HELP DESK, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Ground Floor, No.49, Parisara Bhavan, Church Street, Bengaluru – 560 001.

NOTE: Suggestions, views, comments and objections of interested bonafide residents, environmental groups and others located at project site who are likely to be affected by the proposed project are invited, within 30 days from the date of publication of this Notification. They can also make oral/written/E-Mail suggestions to the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board/Chairman, Environmental Public Hearing Committee **(Deputy Commissioner, Kolar District).** Interested public can participate in the Public Hearing at the above place. **For details please visit our Website: http://kspcb.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/-
Member Secretary

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BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY APPELLATE TRIBUNAL AT CHENNAI

I.A. No. 117 of 2026 (Delay)
in
AIR No. 2200 of 2025

KARNATAKA BANK LTD., & ANR
...Petitioner/Appellant
-Vs-
LEELAVATHI & Anr.
...Respondent/Respondents

To
Smt. Leelavathi -R1, Wife of Late Kariyappa, Aged about 55 years, No. 18, Khizar Pasha layout, Indira Nagar, Bidadi Town & Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk & Dist – 562109.

Madam,

The above-named Petitioner/Appellant has filed the above I.A No. 117 of 2026 seeking to condone the delay of 33 days in filing A.I.R. 2200 of 2025 and thus render justice.

The above I.A. came up before the Hon'ble DRAT, Chennai on 30.03.2026. On hearing us, the Hon'ble DRAT was pleased to order fresh notice to you returnable by **07.05.2026.**

Kindly make it convenient to be present before the Hon'ble Debts Recovery Appellate Tribunal, 7th Floor, Additional Office Building, Shastri Bhawan, Haddows Road, Chennai – 600 006 on 07.05.2026 at 10.30 a.m either in person or through counsel, failing which the above I.A. will be heard and decided in your absence.

M/s. RAMALINGAM & ASSOCIATES,
Advocates,
Counsel for Petitioner/Appellant.
No.321 (Old No.155), 2nd Floor,
Thambu Chetty Street,
Chennai – 600 001

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I AT BANGALORE, BSNL BUILDING 4TH FLOOR, RAJABHAVANA ROAD, BANGALORE

O.A.NO.1009/2021

Between:
M/s. ICICI Bank Limited
Having its branch office at:
No. 4/10, Mytree Center
Hosur Road, Bommanahalli
Bangalore-560068. ...Applicant
And:
1. Mrs. Lakshmi L
W/o. Mr. Lakkamaneni Madhu Babu, Aged about 38 years, R/at No.1/18 67 B, Velama Palem, Sri Kalahasti, GST Centre, Chittore, Andhra Pradesh- 517644. PAN No. ADDPL3333P
2. Mr. M.L. Madhu Babu, S/o. Mr. Manoharanaidu Lakkamaneni, Aged about 48 years, R/at No.1/18 67 B, Velama Palem, Sri Kalahasti, GST Centre, Chittor, Andhra Pradesh 517644. PAN No. ABNPL3245J.
3. M/s. Geethika Constructions. R/at No.1/18 67 B, Velama Palem, Sri Kalahasti, GST Centre, Chittor, Andhra Pradesh 517644.
4. M/s. Concept City Developers, No. 4/A, 9th Main, Sadashivnagar, Bengaluru-560080. Represented by its Authorized Signatory
Mr. K S Rajashekhar ...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDENT UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

WHERE AS: The applicant has instituted an application in the section 19 of recovery of debts due to banks and financial Institution act 1993 against the You for recovery of a sum of Rs. 2,69,75,298.10/- (Rupees Two Crores SixtyNine Lakh SeventyFive Thousand Two Hundred and NinetyEight and Paise Ten Only) together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs. The above mentioned defendant is required to appear therefore here by direct to appear before the tribunal in person is through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on 09/07/2026 at 10.30 am as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in cause default the application will be heard and th determine in your absence.

Given under my hand & the seal of the tribunal on this 2nd Day of March 2026

The Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal,
Bangalore.

Government of Karnataka
Office of the, Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Ballari

No.PWD/EE/Bly/TS-4/289/2026-27 Date : 17-04-2026.

Brief Tender Notification

The Executive Engineer, Public works Department Division, Ballari invites the tenders for the works detailed in the table from the eligible contractors registered in Karnataka Public Works Department, through Karnataka Public Procurement portal (KPPP). Two cover tender procedure as per KTPP Act shall be followed. The tender documents can be downloaded from the web-site https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in. For any additional information the tenderers may contact the office of the undersigned during office working hours.

Note : For any changes either in tender dates or any other conditions or if recalled, tenderers can view in KPP portal. Separate notification in this regard will not be published.

TABLE

Sl No	Details of Work	Estimate Cost (Rs.in Lakhs)
	3054-(Non-Plan)-Maintenance of State Highways :	
1)	PWD/2026-27/RD/WORK_INDENT35694	200.00
	5054-KRDCL Capital Expenditure :	
2)	PWD/2025-26/BR/WORK_INDENT35171	100.00

The Tender Events are as under:

1)Last dates for queries (through KPP portal): **21-04-2026 upto 12.00 Hours**

2)Last date for submission of tenders through KPP portal: **Sl No.1 work – 27-04-2026 upto 16.00 Hours. Sl No.2 work – 02-05-2026 upto 16.00 Hours**

3)Date and time of opening of Technical Bids.: **Sl No.1 work – 28-04-2026 at 16.30 Hours Sl No.2 work – 04-05-2026 at 11.00 Hours**

Sd/- Executive Engineer,
PWD Division, Ballari.

DIPR/Ballari/2026-27/KSMCA/RO No/65

यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया Union Bank of India

भारत सरकार का उपक्रम — A Government of India Undertaking

Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North, # 10/4, 1st Floor , Mithra Towers, Kasturba Road, Bangalore-560001. Mail ID:arb.bengalurunorth@unionbankofindia.bank.in

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for 15 days Sale of immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to rule 8 & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rule, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, Possession which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Union Bank of India (secured Creditor) will be sold on **" As is where is", " As is what is " and " whatever there is basis"** on the date mentioned below, for recovery of dues as mentioned hereunder to Union bank of India from the below mentioned Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s). The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit are also mentioned hereunder:

1. Branch: Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North: Name and address of the Borrower, Co-Applicant and Guarantor: Estate of the deceased borrower Mr. Mahesh. L Represented by Legal heirs: (a) Mrs. Devaki W/o Late Mahesh L, No.1760, 4th Cross, 3rd Block, HRBR Layout, Hennur Main Road, Bangalore-560084. **(b) Ms. Pujitha Narayan** D/o Late Mahesh L, **(c) Master Nishanth Surya** S/o Late Mahesh L **Both Minor Children (b) & (c) represented by their Mother and Natural Guardian (a) : Minor Children's represented by Guardian :- Mrs. Devaki** W/o Late Mahesh L, No.1760, 4th Cross, 3rd Block, HRBR Layout, Hennur Main Road, Bangalore-560084. **Guarantors : (a) Mr. Harish Kumar** S/o Mr. C Lakshmi Narayana, No.25, 4th Cross, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003. **Alternate address :** No.442, New No 38, 11th Main, Sadashivnagar, R M V Extension, Bangalore-560080. **(b) Mrs. Rathnamma** W/o Mr. Lakshmi Narayana, No.25, 4th Cross, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003.

Amount due: Rs. 4,77,20,543.26 (Rupees Four crore seventy seven lakh twenty thousand five hundred forty three and paise twenty six only) as on 31.03.2026 and further interest/cost/expenses thereon.

Description of immovable secured assets to be Sold: All that piece and parcel of a portion of the Commercial Property bearing Old Survey No.43, New Survey No.43/2, of Hanumanthapura Village, Bangalore Taluk, then Corporation Municipal No.230, thereafter Corporation Municipal No.174, Subedar Chatram Road, Bangalore City, Now corporation Municipal No.174/2, Nataka Rathana Gubbi Veeranna Road, Corporation Ward No.27, P I D No.27-13-174/2, Bangalore, (being Commercial Property), measuring As per Sale Deed : on the East: 141'(One Hundred and Forty One Feet), On the West: 145' (One Hundred and Forty Five Feet), On the North : 40'(Forty Feet) and on the South: 13' (Thirteen Feet), Total 3789 sft, As per EVR : on the East : 140'(One Hundred and Forty Feet), On the West: 136' (One Hundred and Thirty six Feet), On the North : 40'(Forty F eet), on the South : 13'(Thirteen Feet), Total 3657 sft and bounded as follows. East by : 13 feet Road, West by : Portion of the property bearing Old Survey No.43, New Survey No.43/2, belonging to Sri N Balakrishnaiah, North by : Subedar Chatram Road, South by : Property comprised in old Survey No.43, New Survey No.43/2, belonging to Sri M O Parthasarathy.

Reserve Price : Rs.5,02,00,000/- EMD : Rs. 50,20,000/- Bid Multiplier : Rs. 2,00,000/-

Type of Possession : Physical Possession

Details of Stay / Status Quo/ Litigation pending against the property, if any, known to the secured creditor in Courts/Tribunals etc. : SA/662/2025 before Hon'ble DRT-1, Bengaluru. WP/31103/2025 before Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka

Invariably, the first bid of the property/ies will be Reserve Price + one Increment. This amount will be the minimum bid amount to participate in bidding process.

The intending bidders should make their own independent enquiry regarding the encumbrances, any pending court cases against the property, title of the property put to auction and the claims / rights/ dues affecting the property, such as Electricity Bill, Water Bill, Pending CAM Charges, Pending Charges with respect to Association, Transfer of Khata and Property Tax etc., prior to submitting their bid. Once the sale is confirmed / Auction is concluded no request will be considered for cancellation of the sale/ refund of the sale price paid by H1 bidder, whatsoever.

It is to be Noted that a successful bidder has to make his own arrangement for getting the E - Khatha & subsequent registration of sale certificate

Account bearing Number 800001980050000 A/C Name : Inward RTGS IFSC Code : UBIN0580007

For auction related queries e-mail to eauctionhelpdesk@unionbankofindia.bank or arb.bengalurunorth@unionbankofindia.bank or contact Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North, #10/4, 1st Floor, Mithra Towers, Kasturba Road, Bangalore-560001. Mr Moorthi V, Contact No. 9003223669.

Last date of EMD submission:
On or before the commencement of e-auction
Date & Time of E-auction: 12.05.2026 (Tuesday)
from 12.00 P.M to 5.00 P.M with 10 min unlimited auto extensions

Note: (1) The intending purchaser required to register through https://baanknet.com (Buyer Registration – link provided in the home page of the website)

The amount of EMD (10%) should be paid through the Website https://baanknet.com and the balance amount of sale price should be paid through the Account Number mentioned in the Sale Notice. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided as mentioned below banks website and e-auction agent website. Digital Signature is not mandatory.

www.unionbankofindia.co.in | https://baanknet.com

Date: 18.04.2026
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India.

THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OP. BANK LTD.,

ESTD: 1907

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE: NO.3, Pampamahakahvi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore -18
Office ☎ 26678572 : 26600512:26609066. Web: bccbl.co.in, E mail ID : recovery@bccbl.co.in

(Rule 8 (1) POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property) (Symbolically)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorised officer of **The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd.,** A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18 under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Ordinance, 2002 (Ord. 3 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued and demand notice calling upon the undersigned borrowers/ legal heirs to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers /legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers /legal heirs and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said Ordinance read with rule 9 of the said rule.

The borrowers / legal heirs in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Bangalore City Co.operative Bank Ltd., A.O., No.3, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Sl.No	Name of the Loanee	Balance Outstanding	Particulars of Immovable Property & Measurement
JAYANAGAR BRANCH			
01	1. Sri. B.W. Shafi Ahmed (Deceased) Legal Heirs :- 1a) Sri. Parvez Ahmed (Son), 1b) Smt. Ummera Fathima (Daughter), 1c) Smt Umme Salika (Daughter) & 2) Smt. Shataj Shafi Ahmed	Demand Notice Dated : 02.12.2025 Possession Notice Dated: 13.04.2026 Balance outstanding: Rs. 70,33,120/- as on : 13.04.2026	Property & Measurement: - No.7/12, 15th Main Road, Rastrakavi Kuvempu Nagar, BBMP Ward No. 65 of BTM Layout, PID No. 65-102-7-12, Bangalore. Measuring:- East to West: 40 feet & North to South: 30 feet East by :Road. West by : Property No. 142 North by : Property No. 156 South by: Property No. 158
02	Sri. Vijaya Kumar. P	Demand Notice Dated : 28.01.2026 Possession Notice Dated: 13.04.2026 Balance outstanding: Rs. 40,18,451/- as on : 13.04.2026	Property & Measurement :- New municipal No.819, Old No.336, Formed out Sy. No.9215 & 56 of Yediyur, 9th Cross Road, Nagasandra Layout, Shastrinagar, Bhanashankari 2nd Stage, BBMP Ward No.59, New Wrd No.167 of Yediyur, PID No.59-42-819, Bangalore. Measuring: East to West: 30 feet & North to South: 55 feet. East by :Site No. 337, West by :Site No. 335 North by :Road, South by : Site No. 378
INDIRANAGAR BRANCH			
03	Smt. Lalitha. A Guarantors:- 1.Balaji(Son) 2.Kumar A(Son) 3.Sarvanan A(Son)	Demand Notice Dated : 12.01.2026 Possession Notice Dated: 13.04.2026 Balance outstanding : Rs. 35,32,183/- as on : 13.04.2026	Property & Measurement: - No.7/32, A.K. Colony, Domlur, BBMP Ward No. 72 of Domlur, PID No. 72-14-7/32, Benglauru. Measuring: East to West: 20 feet & North to South : 40 feet. East by :Site No. 7/31, West by :Site No. 7/33 North by :Road, South by :Site No. 7/3
SHANTHINAGAR BRANCH			
04	Sri. Fayaz Pasha. Guarantors:- 1. Ameerunnisa	Demand Notice Dated : 02.02.2026 Possession Notice Dated: 13.04.2026 Balance outstanding : Rs. 14,97,841/- as on : 13.04.2026	Property & Measurement: - No. 250, Thimmaiah Road, BBMP Ward No. 80 of Bharathinagar, PID No. 80-11-250, Bengaluru. Measuring: East to West : 36.6 feet & North to South : 10.3 feet East by :Private property West by :Cooks Road. B North by :Remaining portion of the same property belonging to Releasers, South by :Cross Lane.
KONANAKUNTE BRANCH			
05	Ammayya	Demand Notice Dated : 27.01.2026 Possession Notice Dated: 13.04.2026 Balance outstanding : Rs. 29,35,266/- as on : 13.04.2026	Property & Measurement: -New No.1, Old No. 229, 8TH Cross, Marena Halli Lake Side, BBMP Ward No. 58 Of Jayanagar, PID No. 58-157-1, Bangalore. Measuring: East to West : 20 feet & North to South : 25 feet East by :Site No. 230 West by :Road North by :Site No.228 South by :Road

Date: 18.04.2026
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
The Bangalore City Co-operative Bank Ltd.,

WESTERN RAILWAY

Material Management Department

VARIOUS MATERIALS SUPPLY

E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No. S/19/2026 Date 15.04.2026

S.N.	Tender No	Short Description of items	Quantity	T.O.D.
122	11255035B	Oil Fired interconnected Boiler of capacity 4000 Kg/Hr and 2000 Kg/Hr confirming to IBR norms	1 Nos	20-May-26
123	26267078	Running Contract of one year for supply of Thick Web Switch Expansion Joint (TWSEJ) as per RDSO Drg. No: T-8822	785 Set	15-May-26
124	22253635A	End frame non driving end assly. (Machined)	63 Nos	15-May-26
125	22263286	Aluminium impeller for oil cooling blower	193 Nos	11-May-26
126	09252056C	Bearing shield DE side [End shield]	35 Nos	06-May-26

Regarding detailed notice EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website www.ireps.gov.in and wr.indianrailways.gov.in. 0002

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KARNATAKA NEERAVARI NIGAM LIMITED
(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)

Office of the, Executive Engineer, KNNL, GRBCC Division No.5, Koujalagi -591227, Dist: Belgaum. Phone No. 08334 – 273211

Date:- 06-04-2026

1.ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ:ಕನೀನಿನಿ/ಘಬಕಾನಿ/ವಿ–5/ಡಿಬಿ/ಟೆಂಡರ್/EIA SLIS/2026-27/76 ದಿನಾಂಕ:-17-04-2026
2.ಕ್ರ.ಸಂ:ಕನೀನಿನಿ/ಘಬಕಾನಿ/ವಿ–5/ಡಿಬಿ/ಟೆಂಡರ್/EIA CLIS/2026-27/77 ದಿನಾಂಕ:–17-04-2026

-: SHORT TERM PERCENTAGE TENDER NOTIFICATION :-
(Through KPP Portal only)

On behalf of the Managing Director Karnataka Neeravari Nigama Limited, Bangalore, the Executive Engineer, KNNL, GRBC Division No. 5, Koujalgi, Belagavi, Karnataka. Invites tenders on (Two Covers) on KPP portal for the 02 work with tender amount (Including GST) is Rs.23.69 to 59.09 Lakhs for which EMD amount is Rs. 40,160.00 to 1,00,200=00 Tender receipt Date is from 18-04-2026 to 30-04-2026 upto 5.00 PM The Technical Bid Opening Date is on 02-05-2026 at 11.00 AM, The Financial Bid of successful bidder will be opened after approval of Technical Bid. For more information contact the office of the undersigned and website is at: www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in from 18-04-2026.

Sd/-Executive Engineer,
KNNL, GRBCC Division No.5, Koujalagi

DIPR/BGM/RO-NO-128/KSMCA/2026-27

UJVN LIMITED

(An Uttarakhand Govt. Enterprise)
H. O. "UJJAWAL" MAHARANI BAGH, GMS ROAD, DEHRADUN - 248006, CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866
Tele.: 0135-2763508, 2763808, Fax: 0135-2763507, website: www.ujvnl.com

Tender No.313 Date : 18.04.2026

Corrigendum No.- 08 (Time Extension)
e-Tender Notice

Due to unavoidable reasons, the dates of e-Tender No. 01/DGM(E&M D-I)/UJVNL/2025-26 invited by Office of the Dy. General Manager, E&M Design-I, UJVN Ltd., Ganga Bhawan, Yamuna Colony, Dehradun (Uttarakhand) are hereby extended as follows:

Last date for submission of bids on website: 23.04.2026 up to 17:00 Hrs.
Last date for submission of Original : 27.04.2026 up to 17:00 Hrs. documents (Hard Copies)
Date & Time of Opening of Technical Bid on Portal: 28.04.2026 from 11:00 Hrs.
Details of subsequent addendum/corrigendum/cancellation etc. may be obtained from e-procurement portal **"http://uktenders.gov.in".**

Dy. General Manager (E&M Design-I)

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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
MINOR IRRIGATION AND GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, MANGALURU

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through KPP Portal)

Ref: This office tender notification no: MID/MNG/TS/AE/ Tender-03/ 2026/1224 Dated: 16.04.2026

As per the above reference, item rate tenders are invited for the works of Dakshina Kannada and Udupi districts by the undersigned as per the Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurements Act, on behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, from Eligible Contractors. Completed tender for Sl. No.1 will be received from eligible contractors **before 4.00 PM on 29.04.2026** and completed tender for the Sl. No.2 and 3 will be received from eligible contractors **before 4.00 PM on 24.04.2026 through the KPP Portal website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in.** Bidders may download the tender documents from this website. The details of the works and other conditions may be obtained from the Division Office. (Phone No. 0824-2440720)

Sd/- Executive Engineer
MI & GWD Division, Mangaluru

DIPR/DK/MPL/106/26-27

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SRI GURU RAGHAVENDRA SAHAKARA BANK NIYAMITHA

 # 15, Subbarama Chetty Road, Nettakallappa Circle, Basavenagudi, Bangalore-560004. Ph.No. 26620360, 26620379, Fax : 080-26506895, E-mail : sgrsbn.bank@gmail.com, Website : www.raghavendrabank.com

POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **Sri Guru Raghavendra Sahakara Bank Niyamitha, Basavangudi, Bangalore,** under Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued on the following Demand Notices on various dates to the Borrowers / Guarantors mentioned below, calling upon them to repay the amount mentioned within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notices.

The borrowers/ Guarantors / Mortgagors / Legal heirs having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to all the below mentioned borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13(4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on the day mentioned in the following table..

The Borrowers / / Guarantors / Mortgagors / Legal heirs in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Sri Raghavendra Sahakara Bank Niyamitha** for the amounts mentioned under each borrower and interest thereon.

The borrowers' attention is invited to the provision of Section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured Assets.

(1) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: : Mr. Ashwath Narayana and Mr. Thimmaiah M Guarantors Mr. Thimmaiah M

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 16.12.2025 for liability Rs. 94,22,00,751/- and Possession Notice Dated 16.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : **16.12.2025** **Possession Notice Date: 16.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Property of Thimmaiah and Ashwathanarayana) All that piece and parcel of the property in sites bearing No.s 10,10A,12,13,32 & 33 formed in Sy. No. 107/1A situated at Rajarajeshwarinagar CMC Ward No. 13 Mallathalli Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk now under the jurisdiction of BBMP Nagarbhavi Sub Range, bearing No. 704/696/10,12,12,32 & 33 /107/1 measuring in all 7465 sq.ft. or 693.515 sq.mts. and bounded on: East by : Road, West by : Road, North by: Road, South by : Property in site Nos. 34,11 & 10B

(2) Name and Address of the Borrower/CoBorrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Mr. Aradhya T H Guarantors Mrs. Bhagyaslakshmi and Mrs. Sowbhagya,

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 09.01.2026 for liability Rs. 136,39,37,750/- and Possession Notice Dated 17.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.10.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : **09.01.2026** **Possession Notice Date: 17.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Property of Aradhya T H & Bhagyalakshmi) All the piece and parcel of the Residential Property in site bearing No. 6 & 7, Katha No. 150 assessment No. 149 situated at Herohalli village Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore measuring East to West 40 feet North to South 60 feet bounded on:East : Property No. 4&5; West: Road; North: Property belonging to Syndicate Bank employee HBCS; South : Property No. 8. Industrial Shed located at developed Residential Area in Herohalli, adjacent to Syndicate Bank Lay Out, Magadi Road with ground floor only. (Site No 6 &7).

(3) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Borrower Name : Mrs. Geetha L and Guarantors Mr. Balaji K L and Mr. Saravana H

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 21-11-2025 for liability Rs 77,72,858.00 and Possession Notice Dated 17.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01-07-2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 21.11.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 17.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Property of Geetha L)

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No. 287 Assessment No. 287 Kodigehalli Village Yelahanka Hobli Bengaluru North Taluk, after inclusion into BBMP Kodigehalli Ward No. 8 as per B-Form property No. 169/138/287 Kodigehalli Bengaluru measuring East to West 20 feet North to South 30 feet bounded on:East by : Property Gurumalleshappa: West by : Remaining Property No. 287 of Gowaramma: North by : Road :South by : Property of Shamanna

(4) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor:Borrower Name :Mr. Nagaraj C L and Mr. Rajanna and Guarantors XXXXXXX

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 28.11.2025 for liability Rs 9,17,95,248/- and Possession Notice Dated 17.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.04.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 28.11.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 17.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Property of Mr. Hariram Rathod)

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Katha No. 107/20, situated at Doddabommasandra, Yelahanka hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, now under the jurisdiction of BBMP Dodda Bommasandra Ward No. 10 Katha No. 105/107/20, measuring East to West 40 feet North to South 20 feet together with building constructed thereon and bounded on: East by : Road ; West by : Property No. 27; North by : Property No. 21; South by: Property No.19.

(5) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor:Borrower Name : Mr. Vijaya Simha N and Guarantors Smt. N Veena

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 16.09.2025 for liability Rs. 5,86,90,693.00 and Possession Notice Dated 17.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.04.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 16.09.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 17.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Property in the name of Smt. Veena N)

All that piece and parcel of the property in Entire Ground floor premises together with 1/3rd undivided share which works out to 400 sq. ft in the land and 1/3rd share in the silt floor of property bearing No. 459, now BBMP No. 395/395/459, earlier BDA Katha No. BDA/RD/N/C2/459/CIL/99, situated at Kothihosahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, named as CIL Layout, II Phase, Sahakara Nagara, Bengaluru 560092 bounded on: East by : Site No. 458 ; West by : Site No. 460 ; North by : Road ; South by : Site No. 478

(6) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Borrower Name : Mr. Venkataraju and Guarantors Mrs. Surekha

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated XXXXXX for liability Rs. 2,66,78,738.00 and Possession Notice Dated 17.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 27.11.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 17.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of property under Site No. 20 Palanahalli Village (Vinayaka Nagar) Jala Hobli , Bangalore North Taluk V P Katha No.144, BBMP Katha No. 6033/144/20 under ward Jakkur presently comes under BBMP Limits Yelahanka Range, including all right, privileges and appurtenances there to measuring East to West 50 ft. North to South 40 ft in all 2000 Sq. ft. and bounded on: East by : RoadWest by : Private Property; North by : Site No. 21 ; South by : Site No. 19

(7) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Borrower Name : M/s Travel Lounge , Mr. Shankar K and Guarantors Mr. Jayanth K M and Mr. Krishnamurthy M S

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 16.12.2025 for liability Rs 7,06,67,076/- and Possession Notice Dated 17.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated :16.12.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 17.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: (Property of Krishna Murthy M S)

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site NBo. 7 Ramachandrapura VP Katha No. 658/659/7 situated at Jarakabande Kaval village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently Katha No. 161/53/2C3A/7, 8th Main 4th Block Ganesh Layout, M S Palya Vidyaranyapura Bengaluru measuring East to West 30 feet North to South 40 feet and bounded on: East by : Site No. 6 ; West by : Site No. 8 ; North by : Road; South by : Site No. 10

(8) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Borrower Name : Mr. Gopalakrishnan S and Guarantors Mrs. Latha Gopalakrishnan

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 26.12.2025 for liability Rs. 1,95,15,411.00 and Possession Notice Dated 17.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated :26.12.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 17.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Katha No. 589/591/34A, property bearing No. 34A situated at Dodda Bomma Sandra Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore 560097 presently under the jurisdiction of BBMP measuring East to West 35 feet North to South 20 feet and bounded on: East by : Property No. 13 ; West by : Road ; North by : Property No. 33 South by : Property No. 34.

(9) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Mr. Ramakrishna B G and Guarantors Mrs. Mamatha Ramakrishna

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 31.12.2025 for liability Rs. 63,74,64,237.00 and Possession Notice Dated 16.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : **31.12.2025** **Possession Notice Date: 16.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No. 112, Katha No. 117(112/117) present CMC Katha No. 112/117, Katha No. 116/117/112 situated at Bikasipura Village Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk now comes with in the jurisdiction of Rajarajeshwari Nagarasabhe measuring East to West 45 feet North to South 35 feet and bounded on: East by: Property No. 119 ; West by: 30 ft Road, North by: Property No. 113 ; South by: Property No. 111

(10) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor:Borrower Name : Mr. Mohan Babu and Guarantors Mr. Krishnam Naidu and Mr. Harish K

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 29.11.2025 for liability Rs.3,75,51,861/- and Possession Notice Dated 16.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 29.11.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 16.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: Flat No T1. All that piece and parcel of two bed room apartment bearing Flat No. T-1 in the Third Floor of the apartment known as PUJA ELEGANCE situated at Site Nos. 1 and 2 Katha No. 27/1 of Chikkallasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli Bangalore South Taluk now comes under BBMP Ward No. 55, Municipal No. 33 & 6, 7th cross, Hanumaigiri Layout having PID No. 55-212-33 and 55-212-6 measuring Site No. East to West 34 feet and North to South (30+36)/2 feet, Site No.2 East to West (38+34)/2 feet North to South 40 feet (in all site no 1 & 2) in all 2562 sq. ft. bounded on: East by : Private Property ; West by : Road ; North by : Site No.3 ; South by : private property. Out of which 285 sq.fts undivided share, right, title and interest in the land and built up area of 1385 sq.fts. with a covered car parking.

(11) Name and Address of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor: Mrs. Radhamani D R and Guarantors Mr. Surendra B S, Mr. Shankara Rao B, Mr. Praveen K S (Late) Rep: Smt. Vanaja Rao K R, Mrs. Sandhya B S and Mr. Prashanth K S,

Total amount mentioned in the notice : SARFAESI Demand Notice Dated 31.12.2025 for liability Rs 8,93,58,102/- and Possession Notice Dated 17.04.2026 plus further applicable interest from 01.07.2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

Demand Notice Dated : 31.12.2025 **Possession Notice Date: 17.04.2026**

Description of the Immovable Property: All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site No. 3 Katha No. 306/3, formed in Survey No. 9/3 "Sri Matha" Aditya Nagar, Chikkabettahalli, Vidyaranyapura Post, Bangalore 560097 under the jurisdiction of Doddabettahalli Village Panchayat measuring East to West 30 feet North to South 40 feet vide conversion No. B.DIS.D2N.SR(N) 152/91-92 dated 16.03.1992 and bounded on:East by: Property in Site No. 2; West by: Property in Site No. 4; North by: Private Property; South by: Road

Date : 18.04.2026 Place : Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer, Sri Guru Raghavendra Sahakara Bank Niyamitha**

"Women are half the society. You cannot have a revolution without women. You cannot have democracy without women. You cannot have equality without women

Nawal El Saadawi

WARS, WHAT WARS? MARKETS SAY DON'T WORRY, BE HAPPY

THE THIRD EYE

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A surreal spectacle is playing out. The war in West Asia has choked the jugular of global energy supplies. The sentiments are yo-yoing between Donlad J Trump's Operation Epic Fury and epic fears. The markets, however, are scarcely bothered and seem to be punting on epic TACO! There is the story of the post-Covid rally and then there is the rush of retail FOMO (fear of missing out). As for the whales, they are convinced Trump always chickens out when faced with public ire.

The wall of worries is real for consumers, companies and countries. Trump's trade war upended global supply chains and the war on Iran has triggered an energy shock, alienated allies and fuelled anxiety. This week, International Energy Agency chief Fatih Birol warned restoration of crude and gas output could take two years. Prima facie, oil prices seem stable, thanks to workarounds a.k.a. *jugaad*; but the reality is scary. Listed price of crude is at $90 a barrel, but spot prices of Brent crude is at $138, jet fuel is $2,200 a kilolitre in New Delhi, the Indian oil import basket is at $110, and heavy crude from Ural or Iraq is 20 percent higher.

The markets are now treating volatility as the weather, not a storm. Events have not dented the optimism of bulls who are discounting bad news and piling premium on a repeat of 2022. On Friday, Iran declared that the Strait of Hormuz was open. Trump followed with a trademark all-caps post: "The Strait of Hormuz is completely open and ready for business and full passage. But the (US) naval blockade will remain in full force." Within a few hours, shippers found that in this theatre of the absurd, 'open' did not mean open.

However, the markets are not letting facts ruin a good story. Portfolio values are up even though newsfeeds on touch-screen devices are on fire. It doesn't matter that over 300 tankers are trapped in the high seas, that lower capacity will keep crude prices higher, that energy inflation and supply disruptions will push interest rates higher for longer. The IMF warns that the war has halted the momentum of global growth; add to it the rise in deficits and debts crippling economies.

The markets are paying scant attention to what might happen. They are weighing in favour of investments in AI infrastructure and shrugging off the impact on job losses, not even the five-digit trimming of the Amazon kind. Indices are on a tear. Soon after Hormuz was declared open, every major stock market in Europe and the US was up, India's Nifty50 grabbed hope to rise 156 points, the S&P500 hit a new high of 7,147. Even though there was little evidence of free movement, as tracking showed a few tankers passing through the Hormuz Strait, the petro-paper market found reason to celebrate and Brent dipped below $90, the US dollar index rose and gold nudged up.

The whiplash of headlines remained unabated. On Saturday, Iran's Parliament Speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf said Trump was making false claims, that the strait would not stay open if the US blockade continued. Interestingly, Iran's navy was warning ships over radio that the strait would be opened on the order of the Ayatollah, 'not some idiot'. By Saturday afternoon, ships and tankers were executing U-turns.

Money moves the mare and markets. Among the mantras often chanted in markets is, 'Don't fight liquidity.' Money poured in by central banks in 2008 and then during Covid is still sloshing around looking for returns. The resilience of Indian indices is propped by monthly systematic investment plan flows of ₹25,000 crore. Liquidity tends to chase returns—for instance, in gold and silver earlier and in high-interest bonds now. The markets believe that Trump's tariff war is theatre. If it turns into a tragedy, there is Europe and East Asia doing better than the US. Above all, there is a global belief that AI-led productivity will boost earnings and value. The core thesis: wars and tariffs are temporary; technology and value are permanent.

Earlier this month, Henry Paulson, former US treasury secretary, warned the $39-trillion American federal debt could break the bond market and spark an emergency. Sovereign debt issuance in OECD countries is projected to reach a record $18 trillion in 2026. A study shows that 40 percent of the sovereign and corporate debt held in OECD countries will mature by 2027. This has implications for investments and job creation.

Characteristically, the markets are frequently convinced of their own genius. There is yet no cogent answer for the violation of the holy grail of concentration risk—only seven stocks account for $19 trillion or 30 percent of the S&P500's total market value. IT services companies—the largest formal employers, exporters and force multipliers in India—are facing an existential threat. Services deliver over half the growth in large economies. Yet the markets are shrugging off the impact of AI-led job displacement on consumption that scaffolds growth. Can markets sustain optimism if consumption slides?

In theory, markets are, at their most basic, a discounting machine. They price in expectations, not headlines—ergo the cliché, 'buy the rumour, sell the news'. The wall of worry—tariffs, AI disruption, hot wars, cold geopolitics—is exactly what markets have always climbed. That said, the level of disdain for the consequences of Trumponomics playing out in the global economies is truly stunning. The theme song for now is Bobby McFerrin's 'Don't worry, be happy'.

POLITICAL PAYDAY OF POWER AND PERKS

POWER & POLITICS

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DEMOCRACY is a sacred social settlement which presumes a covenant of consent, consultation and constant accountability. In India, it has been cunningly converted into a closed-circle club of convenience where the custodians of the Constitution have become collectors of comfort, connoisseurs of compensation and champions of cushy conveniences.

When a legislature launches a lightning session to supersize its seats, swell its stipends and stack its sinecures, it doesn't strengthen the system. It sells it seat by seat, subsidy by subsidy, citizen by citizen. Last week, when the government's Constitution (131st Amendment) and Delimitation Bills were defeated in Parliament, the setback was not the signal. The intent was. When a legislature votes to expand its own ecosystem, enrich its own entitlements and entrench its own excesses under the cover of a compressed three-day conclave it does not deepen democracy. It monetises it.

Democratic legitimacy rests upon a fragile framework, a fiduciary faith between the governed and those who govern. This framework demands not merely representation but relentless reasoning, rigorous responsibility and radical transparency. Had it been passed, the financial consequences for the ordinary taxpayer would have been staggering, permanent and almost entirely absent from the national conversation that this decision urgently deserves. The financial fallout for the everyday earner is staggering, systemic and silently sanctioned.

The Constitution (131st Amendment) Bill, 2026 introduced in the special session commencing was meant to expand the Lok Sabha from 543 seats (maximum 550 allowed) to 816 (maximum 850), adding by about half. Simultaneously, every state Assembly was set to swell, stretch and swell again by roughly 50 percent, producing over 2,000 additional legislators—in practice, a permanent, protected, perpetually-payable political proliferation funded entirely by taxpayers who were neither notified nor nudged.

The arithmetic of this expansion is precise, verifiable and deeply troubling. Each MP today costs the exchequer approximately ₹4.29 crore annually, with aggregate expenditures comprising salary, allowances, constituency development funds, secretarial establishment, rent-free metropolitan accommodation, unrestricted air and rail travel for the legislator and immediate family, comprehensive medical coverage and the considerable invisible machinery of parliamentary entitlement. An additional 273 MPs would constitute an additional recurring annual burden of ₹1,171 crore. This is not a one-time capital expenditure with a recoverable horizon. It is a permanent constitutional liability, compounding year upon year, generation upon generation, for the duration of the republic itself.

SOURAV ROY

Over a single five-year parliamentary term, the direct cost of new members alone reaches ₹5,855 crore, which excludes Rajya Sabha, parliamentary infrastructure expansion, security apparatus scaling and the associated bureaucratic establishment. Then there is MP Local Area Development Scheme, a peculiarly opaque pipeline of public funds. Each MP receives ₹5 crore annually. With 816 MPs, that becomes ₹4,080 crore a year—distributed, delayed, and dubiously documented, as repeated critiques from the Comptroller and Auditor General confirm. State Assemblies magnify this burden dramatically.

This is a constitutional commitment to continuous cost. Conservative calculations place the annual cost of state Assembly expansion at ₹5,000-8,000 crore—a figure that deliberately dodges the looming liability of lifelong pensions, where a single five-year stint's cumulative cost climbs to ₹40,000-50,000 crore, with far fiercer, far fatter, far more formidable fiscal fallout. Expansion doesn't correct this chronic chaos; it compounds it, clones it and conveniently conceals it. And yet, the most fundamental question remains: why this sudden surge, this legislative lust for largesse, when India's geography remains fixed and finite?

Representation in India is territorial, not transactional. Constituencies are defined by boundaries, not by bodies. Given even expansion across regions, more people within a perimeter do not require more politicians. What this expansion truly signals is a calculated calibration of convenience: more seats for dynastic dynamics. More ministries for loyalist lobbies and more chairs for a political class already comfortably cushioned.

The performance record makes this expansion not just needless, but near-nonsensical. Barely 10 percent of MPs speak. The Lok Sabha sits for fewer than 100 days a year; Assemblies often convene for less than 50. Bills are rushed, rubber-stamped and rapidly ratified often in under an hour, where serious scrutiny should span months. Reports by PRS Legislative Research point to a decline in debate, dilution of diligence and decay of democratic discipline. The legislature is not lacking in numbers; it is lacking in necessary diligence. Add to this that 46 percent of MPs face criminal cases and 93 percent are crorepatis—an elite echo chamber far removed from the reality of citizens they claim to serve.

This is not a deficit of democracy. It is a surplus of self-service. The addition of about 2,350 legislators is not democratisation; it is a deliberate deepening of the patronage pyramid. No dissent, no debate, no defiance—just a perfect political pact of mutual profit. Across party lines, ideology is dissolved into a deliciously bipartisan buffet of benefits. The only constituency without representation in that chamber is the Indian taxpayer—present in payment, absent in power. This is not BJP versus Congress, right versus left. It is privilege versus public, entitlement versus equity. Can a legislature legally and morally legislate on its own largesse without the people's permission?

With an annual expenditure of ₹11,000 crore, the conservative aggregate of parliamentary and state Assembly expansion could build over a 10 lakh classrooms, thousands of kilometres of roads, and countless clinics in chronically neglected constituencies. These are not hypothetical hopes; they are practical, possible, profoundly impactful priorities. Instead, they have been postponed, pushed aside, and politically pre-empted.

India does not need a bigger Parliament. It needs a better, braver, busier one—one that sits longer, studies deeper, scrutinises sharper and serves sincerely. The political class didn't try to just pass a Bill; it was padding its privileges, protecting perks and perfecting plunder. Strip away the spin, and the sentence is simple. The Bill push was not representation but was remuneration wrapped in rhetoric. This is not the voice of the people. This was institutional plunder, constitutionally disguised and unanimously executed by the very class entrusted to protect public interest. In the name of representation, India's political elite have signalled their institutional greed on an unprecedented scale. It is brazen theft from the people, and an echo of entitlement which is amplified, institutionalised and invoice-ready.

WHAT LUTYENS REALLY THOUGHT OF MADRAS

OPINION

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WHEN Edwin Lutyens—the British architect who designed imperial New Delhi and what is now Rashtrapati Bhavan—wrote about India, he was not always speaking in generalities. In one striking passage from his private letters (1912–14) describing Madras (now Chennai), he calls the people "degenerate—very dark, very naked" with "awful faces", dismissing them even while noting that Freeman Freeman-Thomas, marquess of Willingdon, "says they are most unusually intelligent". The evidence does not alter the judgement. It's simply ignored.

The extracts cited here are drawn from Lutyens' private correspondence with his wife Emily, held in the archives of the Royal Institute of British Architects in London. While the letters have long been available to scholars, passages such as his remarks on Madras have remained largely overlooked in contemporary debates about his legacy.

These letters, written while Lutyens was designing the new imperial capital for British India, now carry renewed relevance. The recent decision to remove his bust from Rashtrapati Bhavan and replace it with that of C Rajagopalachari has reopened questions about how India remembers those who shaped its colonial past. Seen in that context, Lutyens' private views matter.

They are not isolated remarks. He returns to the same themes with striking consistency. India, for him, is "barbaric". Its aesthetics are "childishly vulgar". Its cities repel him with "dirt, filth... stench and hideousness". Its people appear as "every sort of black body doing every sort of thing".

Even in architecture, his judgements follow the same line. The Taj Mahal is "wonderful", but "not architecture". Indian buildings are dismissed as "tents in stone". Indian craftsmen produce "hideous vulgarities", lacking any real understanding of construction.

More revealing still is the theory behind the contempt. Lutyens writes that he does not believe there is "any real Indian architecture or any great tradition", describing it as "the building style of children". What is admirable, he suggests, comes from elsewhere—"an Italian or a Chinaman". India, in this view, must be taught: Western tradition must intervene so that Indians can learn to "think in three dimensions".

At one point, reflecting on Indian artisans, he goes further. The difficulty, he writes, is finding the right men: "Government ought to breed them... A job for the Eugenic Societies." This is not casual prejudice. It's a worldview.

He admits, too, to a deeper distance. "The horror of India has not gripped me at all," he writes, adding that the real difficulty lies not in the physical country but in "the people and their minds"—a distance he resolves not by understanding, but by reduction.

He was not an observer passing through India. He was designing its imperial capital. The buildings that followed—most notably Rashtrapati Bhavan—were intended to express authority, permanence and control. They were, in effect, architecture as ideology.

Letters Edwin Lutyens wrote to his wife while designing New Delhi reveal a deeply racist mind. That prejudice shaped how the new imperial capital for British India was built

Seen in that light, the familiar features of Lutyens' Delhi take on a sharper meaning. The distance from the old city, the elevation of the imperial complex, the strict geometry of its layout—these are not simply aesthetic choices. They reflect a hierarchy the letters articulate openly.

For decades, independent India has lived with—and adapted—that inheritance. Lutyens' buildings have been absorbed into the life of a democratic state, their meanings reshaped by use.

But the question of honour is separate from the question of use.

The removal of Lutyens' bust from Rashtrapati Bhavan sits within a broader, longer process—visible in the renaming of roads, institutions and public spaces—through which India is reassessing the symbols of colonial authority. This is not erasure, but reordering: deciding who is honoured, and on what terms.

The afterlife of Lutyens' reputation is captured not only in stone but in objects. A caricature bust he kept in his Delhi office—wearing an Indian chhatri like a hat—was later taken back to London and now sits in a museum collection. The symbolism is difficult to ignore. Indian architectural forms are appropriated, stylised and made part of his self-image, even as the culture that produced them is dismissed in his letters.

There will be those who argue that Lutyens should be judged in context—a man of his time, reflecting the assumptions of empire. That is true, as far as it goes. But the letters go further. They are explicit, repeated and argued. They reveal not just prejudice, but a coherent racial and civilisational hierarchy—one that spans culture, religion, aesthetics and political authority. And that hierarchy shaped how India was seen, and therefore how it was built.

Lutyens' achievement is not in doubt. But neither is the distance he placed between himself and the people he was building for. His letters show a mind that could order space with brilliance, but could not—or would not—grasp the society around it except by diminishing it.

And once that distance is visible, it becomes a part of the architecture itself.

(Views are personal)

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QUOTE CORNER

Blessed are the peacemakers. But woe to those who manipulate religion and the very name of god for their own military, economic and political gain, dragging that which is sacred into darkness and filth... The world is being ravaged by a handful of tyrants, yet it is held together by a multitude of supportive brothers and sisters.

Pope Leo XIV at St Joseph Cathedral in Bamenda, Cameroon

It's a repositioning. She's afraid that a sizeable portion of the electorate, even among the centre-right, will become highly critical of Trump and Netanyahu.

Lorenzo Castellani, political historian at Rome's Luiss University, after Italy PM Giorgia Meloni suspended a defence cooperation deal with Israel

Students aspire to be lawyers like in *Suits*, not like in *Maamla Legal Hai*.

Justice Sanjay Karol of the Supreme Court at NLIU Bhopal on the gap between classroom expectations and courtroom realities

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Decouple moves

Ref: *Trust deficit across aisles* (Apr 18). The editorial perceptively captures the central paradox of the moment: near-unanimity in principle, yet persistent divergence in practice. The continuing impasse is compounded by the decision to tether implementation to delimitation. Such policy coupling has inadvertently reframed a question of gender equity into one of political recalibration. It has invited apprehensions regarding federal balance and representational fairness. A more statesmanlike approach would lie in decoupling the immediacy of women's reservation from the longer-term exercise of delimitation. Institutional mechanisms that ensure transparency in seat rotation and implementation timelines could further mitigate apprehensions.

Sanjeev Jha, New Delhi

Meaningful consent

Ref: *Make tribal communities stakeholders in Sijimali* (Apr 18). The Niyamgiri precedent should have been lesson enough. Forced clearances without genuine community consent only harden resistance and delay projects further. Meaningful gram sabha consultation is not an obstacle to development—it is the only foundation on which sustainable industrial progress can be built.

Swathi Senthilkumar, Coimbatore

Living Constitution

Ref: *Bills fail LS test* (Apr 18). In a constitutional democracy, the defeat of a government-sponsored bill in Parliament should not be viewed merely as a political setback. It represents a constitutional check reflecting the vitality and supremacy of the democratic framework. Now our Constitution has arrived at the 131st amendment milestone in 75 years. Frequent amendments signify a living Constitution capable of self-reform to suit the evolving times. The framers in the Constituent Assembly embedded it with principles of flexibility viewing of our plural nature. Despite being the lengthiest, this enabled the Constitution to endure with vitality for over seven decades. The defeat of the delimitation bill cannot be contemplated as failure of governance, but a re-affirmation of constitutional supremacy and democratic principles.

K Palaniswami, Salem

Chess champions

Ref: *Evening the odds over 64 squares* (Apr 18). The right and left hemispheres of the human brain have their own functions. The right one is spatially oriented and so is ideal for chess, music, painting, driving, etc. So though right-brain-dominant students may not be able to cope with routine school syllabus involving linear logic and language skills, they can be trained to excel in chess. This scientific observation can be taken aboard to spot probable champions early in schools and take India farther along the road to chess excellence.

Dr S Shanmugam, email

Cooler hours

Ref: *How summers can add stress* (Apr 18). During this expectedly very hot summer, we request the government and relevant administrators to change school-timings to early mornings (2 to 3 hours from 6 am to 8/9 am) and/or cool evenings (2 to 3 hours: 5 pm to 7/8 pm) to help students escape extreme heat stress and its related problems. A few schools do not have early morning sessions at all. That's dangerously unhealthy. Wherever possible, offices too should shift to cooler hours.

Sreelekha P S, Secunderabad

Team composition

Ref: *Patidar stakes claim for a place in India T20 squad* (Apr 18). There's a degree of similarity between how Shreyas Iyer and Rajat Patidar operate in the middle overs in T20s. Both are aggressive batters and look to dominate bowlers from the get-go, with exceptional ability against spin. Apart from including these batters in the Indian T20 set-up, Vaibhav Sooryavanshi may also be fast-tracked into the national team. The teen sensation's inclusion is expected in the upcoming T20 series against Ireland, England and Zimbabwe.

S Sankaranarayanan, Chennai

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Shivraj Singh Chouhan @ChouhanShivraj
Warm greetings and best wishes to everyone on World Heritage Day! Our heritage is a living symbol of our history, knowledge, experience, culture, and pride.

Shashi Tharoor @ShashiTharoor
100 ships. One destination. The Strait of Hormuz crisis has shifted global shipping eyes to my constituency, Thiruvananthapuram.

Tejashwi Yadav @yadavtejashwi
Participated in the wedding of the sister of Sanjay Patel ji, the Vaishali district chief of RJD youth wing, and extended wishes.

Cabinet nod to 2% DA hike for Central govt employees, pensioners

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

THE Union Cabinet Committee, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, on Saturday approved two railway ministry projects with a combined cost of ₹24,815 crore.

The Cabinet also sanctioned a 2% hike in Dearness Allowance (DA) and Dearness Relief (DR), benefiting around 50.46 lakh central government employees and 68.27 lakh pensioners.

The projects include the 403 km Ghaziabad–Sitapur third and fourth lines in Uttar Pradesh and the 198 km Rajahmundry–Visakhapatnam third and fourth lines in Andhra Pradesh. According to an official statement, the expansion in line capacity will greatly improve mobility, leading to enhanced operational efficiency and more reliable services for Indian Railways.

It further noted that the projects form part of the PM-Gati Shakti National Master Plan, which focuses on boosting multi-modal connectivity and logistical efficiency through integrated planning and stakeholder consultation. "They will provide seamless connectivity for the movement of people, goods and services," it said. The Cabinet stated that the projects, covering 15 districts across Uttar Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh, will expand the Indian Railways network by approximately 601 km.

They are expected to facilitate key transportation routes for commodities such as coal, foodgrains, cement, iron and steel, containers, fertiliser, sugar, chemical salts and limestone. The development of these lines is also anticipated to boost tourism by improving rail access to several important destinations, including the Dudheshwarnath Temple, Garhmukteshwar Ghat, Dargah Shah Wilayat Jama Masjid (Amroha), Naimisharanya (Sitapur), Annavaram, Antarvedi, and Draksharamam.

The Ghaziabad–Sitapur section is already a double-line route and a crucial part of the Delhi–Guwahati high-density corridor. Passing through districts such as Ghaziabad, Hapur, Amroha, Moradabad, Rampur, Bareilly, Shahjahanpur, Lakhimpur Kheri and Sitapur; it connects several major industrial hubs, including Ghaziabad, Moradabad, Bareilly, Shahjahanpur and Roza.

Meanwhile, the Rajahmundry–Visakhapatnam section forms part of the Howrah–Chennai high-density corridor and is included in a broader quadrupling initiative. The government says the route passes through East Godavari, Konaseema, Kakinada, Anakapalle and Visakhapatnam districts of Andhra Pradesh.

VOICE | **NARENDRA MODI**

For us, the interest of the nation is paramount. But when for some people, 'party interest' becomes everything, then our women's power and national interest have to pay the price. This is what has happened this time. The nation's woman power has had to suffer the consequences of the selfish politics of Cong, DMK, TMC, SP...

Yesterday, the eyes of crores of women were on Parliament. It was deeply painful to see that when this proposal fell, dynastic parties like Cong and SP were clapping with joy. After snatching away the rights of women, these people were thumping their desks. What they did was not just a thump on the table; it was a blow to the dignity of women...

It was an effort to make women equal partners in India's journey of progress. It is the call of the times. This was an effort to strengthen every corner of our land—North, South, East, and West—and to amplify the voice of every state in Parliament, regardless of its size or population. It was an attempt to empower everyone in equal measure

NDA, Oppn spar day after women quota bill failed to clear LS hurdle

Shah says PM's address necessary, Oppn sees red

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

SENIOR leaders of the BJP and its allies on Saturday expressed unequivocal support for PM Narendra Modi's address to the nation, in which he spoke on women's reservation at length. The Opposition, however, criticised the address, terming it "partisan" and "inappropriate" for a national broadcast.

Home Minister Amit Shah praised the PM's remarks, describing the address as a "forthright and necessary intervention" that exposed the Opposition's "anti-women mindset". He reaffirmed the government's commitment to advancing women's reservation and echoed the PM's assurance that efforts would continue to ensure greater representation for women in legislative bodies.

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar also endorsed the PM's speech, calling it a significant step in highlighting the Opposition's resistance to reform. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman noted that the government is exploring avenues to achieve this objective. Sitharaman reiterated that the

NDA remains firmly committed to securing reservation for women in legislative institutions. Union Minister Piyush Goyal, along with other NDA leaders, lent his support to Modi's stance, emphasising the coalition's determination to see the policy through.

Meanwhile, the Opposition parties, including the Congress and the CPM, slammed the PM's address. In a scathing attack, Congress general secretary Jairam Ramesh said that the PM's address is expected to carry institutional dignity and avoid political messaging.

"A prime minister's address to the nation has a sanctity to it. It is meant to be a non-partisan address intended to build national resolve and confidence. This pathetic, partisan and polemical attack—a distress address rather than a national address—would have been more appropriate in a press conference...," Ramesh said in a post on 'X'.

Responding sharply to the speech, CPM MP John Brittas said by attacking opposition over the Women's Reservation Bill and likening their actions to "foeticide" and being "anti-women", it was evident that the BJP was willing to go to any extent to undermine healthy parliamentary conventions and constitutional traditions.

He added that the PM should apologise to the women of the country for "keeping the Women's Reservation Bill, passed in 2023, locked away in 'cold storage' for so long(notified yesterday, and nobody knows what the intent was), for deliberately linking that law with delimitation and census after such a long delay, in an attempt to deceive the entire public once again, for trying to turn women into mere vote slaves just to secure votes..." he wrote in 'X'.

Priyanka hails win of Oppn unity in House...

Their plan was to remain in power forever... But it has been thwarted

Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Congress

'In favour of quota'

Priyanka reiterated that the Opposition was not against quota. She said that they would support the Women's Reservation Act, 2023, on the current strength of the Lok Sabha.

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AS day after the defeat of the 131st Constitution amendment Bill linked to women's reservation in the Lok Sabha, Congress general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on Saturday hailed it as a significant victory for democracy, federalism, and Opposition unity.

Addressing a press conference at the party's old headquarters in New Delhi, she slammed the Modi government's move as a "conspiracy to permanently stay in power" and alter the federal structure "in the garb of women's reservation." But these attempts had been thwarted in the Lok Sabha by a united Opposition, she said.

Under fire from NDA MPs for the defeat of the Bill, Priyanka reiterated that the Opposition was not opposed to the quota itself. She said that they would support the implementation of the Women's Reservation Act, 2023, on the current strength of the Lok Sabha.

"When Home Minister Amit Shah was speaking in the Lok Sabha on Friday, he said the Congress will not be able to sit on the treasury benches for years, which shows their mindset. The plan was to remain in power forever. They thought that if delimitation was not done now, it would not be done before 2029," she Gandhi said

Calling it a "victory for the Constitution, the country, and the unity of the Opposition," the Gandhi scion said the defeat of the Bill marked a "black day" for the government.

The Wayanad MP further claimed that the government had sought to put the Opposition in a bind. "They thought that if the Bill passed, it would be fine. If it failed, we would project the Opposition as anti-women so that they could become the messiahs of women. But it is not easy. We saw what happened to women in Hathras and our Olympic medallists, among others," she said.

"The public is seeing this. It can see through their narrative. Women across classes and castes, whether rich or poor, continue to suffer and their problems keep growing under this government," she said, responding to the BJP charge that the Opposition parties were anti-women.

... BJP hits back, says 'hypocrisy exposed'

Priyanka spoke about 'using' women. Are women a commodity?

Ravi Shankar Prasad, BJP

'Congress betrayal'

Shortly after Priyanka's media briefing, the BJP accused the Congress of "betraying" women and then celebrating the defeat of their political aspirations.

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

SENIOR BJP leaders Ravi Shankar Prasad and Smriti Irani on Saturday clapped back at Priyanka Gandhi Vadra and the Congress, terming the Opposition's stance a "hypocrisy exposed" on the issue of women's empowerment.

Their comments came during a press conference, a day after a Constitution Amendment Bill, aimed at enabling reservation for women in legislatures from 2029 and increasing the strength of the Lok Sabha, failed to get passed in the Lower House after it did not meet the required majority of 2/3.

Shortly after Priyanka's media briefing, the BJP intensified its criticism, accusing the Congress of "betraying" women and then celebrating the defeat of their political aspirations. Ravi Shankar Prasad asked the Congress to first understand constitutional provisions before making statements. "Congress needs to understand the Constitution. No revision in the number of seats in Parliament or Assemblies can be done or is possible without delimitation," he said.

Taking a swipe at Priyanka Gandhi, Prasad added, "I don't say anything against her (Priyanka Gandhi), but this is the first time I am doing so. In a media briefing, she spoke about using women. Are the women of India a commodity to be used? This is the language of a woman MP from the Indian National Congress."

Invoking India's cultural ethos, he said women are revered as embodiments of Durga, Kali, Saraswati and Lakshmi, symbolising the nation's spiritual heritage as 'mother'. "To describe them as objects for use is condemnable," he said.

Smriti Irani, who addressed the press alongside Prasad, also accused the Congress and its allies of celebrating the denial of 33% reservation for women in legislatures. "The Congress smiled, thumped desks and celebrated the crushing of the political aspirations of ordinary women. The Congress and its supporting allies celebrated the fact that women who were only demanding 33% reservation in Parliament were denied their rights," she alleged.

R VAISHALI

QUEEN'S GAMBIT: RISE OF VAISHALI

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IMMEDIATELY after D Gukesh became the youngest challenger to the World Championship throne in Toronto in April 2024, Garry Kasparov remarked it as an 'Indian earthquake in Toronto'. One of the greatest GMs of all time continued: "The 'children' of Vishy Anand are on the loose".

Almost two years since Gukesh's win in Toronto catapulted him on to the world stage, another success story was etched in the sands of time, this time in the European resort town of Paphos in Cyprus. For at least the last hour of R Vaishali's last round match against Kateryna Lagno, she was on her way to becoming the second Indian woman to advance to the women's World Championship match. As soon as Lagno decided to resign in a hopeless position, the Chennai GM was lost for words.

A 15-year-old journey had reached its most significant pitstop. After winning the most important match of her career yet, the 24-year-old, who was first put in chess classes as a six-year-old, said 'this was a result of all the hard work'.

They say that it takes a village to raise a champion. In Vaishali's case, it's true. Her parents have sacrificed a lot. Brother R Praggnanandhaa has been a pillar of support. RB Ramesh and wife, Aarthie, to the outside world, are coaches. For Vaishali, they have been part family members, part friends, part mentors and part counsellors. A lot of young GMs -- from R Pranesh who travelled to Cyprus to be part of her team of seconds -- to the likes of Adhiban Baskaran and Karthikeyan Murali made themselves available whenever Vaishali approached them for help.

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This victory, though, first and foremost, is a triumph for the kind of resilience she has always had in oodles.

Her story began in a west Chennai suburb around the time Anand was frequently on the front and back pages of most newspapers. Chess, for many families in Tamil Nadu, is must-have board game because it's safe, indoors and cheap. That was why Rameshbabu and wife, Nagalakshmi, bought their daughter a chess set when she was six. It was then going to be a recreational activity. Within six months of playing the game, Vaishali had shown an uncommon aptitude for it. One of her first coaches, Thyagarajan, was one of the first persons to identify this.

Before long, she was winning age-group gold medals for India. A prodigy had been unearthed. But growth and development in elite sport is never linear. It ebbs and flows. And Vaishali was no stranger to his facet.

Rapid growth was followed by months of pain. She also had to contend with the rapid rise of Praggnanandhaa. Her younger sibling zoomed past her in the ratings, set records and she was no longer the best player in the family. The worst was yet to come as she began to chase a final GM norm and rating points.

In a heart-felt interview to this daily in 2024, she had said: "I have been working with RB Ramesh sir for the last 10 years. I have also been training at the WACA (Westbridge-Anand Chess Academy) for the last 3-4 years where I get to train with all the top trainers. There I got to train with Sandipan Chanda sir. I got individual sessions. He's the one who put this thought... to play freely and to enjoy the game like as a kid." Once she divorcing her performance and results, the results turned.

In the months that followed, she had made the final GM norm, won the Grand Swiss and qualified for the last Candidates where she won five games on the bounce before finishing second. But Vaishali has always been a player who has lacked that belief in herself. It's something she alluded to in the press conference after winning this edition of the Candidates. "My team has always had more belief in me than me."

If that period before she won her first Grand Swiss in 2023 tested her, 2025 was bad. She dropped a lot of points and was a shadow of her former self when she turned up to feature in the Challengers section at the Chennai Grand Masters. Seven losses on the trot meant she questioned every little detail. She turned to her parents for some words of comfort.

At one point, she even decided to skip the Grand Swiss for some home comfort. But her colleagues convinced her to give it a shot. In Samarkand, Vaishali rediscovered love for the game as she won her second Grand Swiss.

It's here that Ramesh played a vital role. "Vaishali has had her share of ups and downs," he said in an interview to this daily moments after her history-defying win in Cyprus. "Despite all that, what matters is we keep the journey on and not lose hope in ourselves. Make use of the chances that come our way and she has managed to do that exactly. Really happy and proud about this."

Perseverance, though, has always defined her. And it will continue to define her when she faces five-time world champion Ju Wenjun at the upcoming title match.

Misri calls Iran envoy over firing at Indian ships

JAYANTH JACOB @ Chennai

Safety of Indian shipping in focus of meeting

The meeting between the two officials focused on ensuring the safety of Indian shipping in the sensitive maritime corridors and resume the process of facilitating India-bound ships across the Strait of Hormuz that has become a choking point in the widening West Asia conflict.

INDIA on Saturday expressed deep concern after two Indian-flagged vessels came under fire in the strategically vital Strait of Hormuz, calling in Iran's Ambassador Mohammad Fathali for a meeting with Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri.

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External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal said, "The Ambassador of the Islamic Republic of Iran in New Delhi was called in for a meeting with the Foreign Secretary this evening. During the meeting, the Foreign Secretary conveyed India's deep concern at the shooting incident earlier today involving two Indian-flagged ships in the Strait of Hormuz." He added that Misri stressed on "the importance that India attached to the safety of merchant shipping and mariners," while recalling that Iran had earlier facilitated safe passage for India-bound vessels through the route.

"Reiterating concern at this incident of firing on merchant ships, the Foreign Secretary urged the Ambassador to convey India's views to the authorities in Iran and resume at the earliest the process of facilitating India-bound ships across the Strait," Jaiswal said. The Iranian envoy, according to the MEA spokesperson, "undertook to convey these views to the Iranian authorities."

Meanwhile, sources confirmed there were no injuries and no damage to either vessel, but both ships were forced to turn back after coming under fire northeast of Oman along a key global oil shipping lane in the Strait of Hormuz. One of the vessels is a Very Large Crude Carrier (VLCC), underlining the scale and strategic importance of traffic moving through the corridor.

Amid rising tensions, US President Donald Trump warned Iran against using the strait as leverage.

'93% productivity in Budget session'

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AS the Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha were adjourned sine die on Saturday, the extended Budget session of Parliament came to a close, marking the end of a politically charged and closely watched session.

The session's finale came against the backdrop of a setback for the government, as the Constitution amendment bill aimed at implementing women's reservation, linked to the contentious issue of delimitation, was defeated in the Lok Sabha a day earlier.

While 298 members voted in support of the Bill in the Lok Sabha, 230 MPs voted against it. Out of 528 members who voted, the Bill required 352 votes for a two-thirds majority. This is the first Bill of the Modi government to be defeated.

As soon as the House met at 11 am on Saturday, Speaker Om Birla read out his concluding remarks, following which he adjourned the House sine die (for an indefinite period). The session concluded with a rendition of 'Vande Mataram.' In a first, all six stanzas of the national song were played in the House.

The session, which was to conclude on April 2, was extended by three days from April 16 to discuss the crucial bills.

In his concluding remarks, Birla said 31 sittings were held during the session that lasted around 151 hours and 42 minutes. The productivity of the House during the session was 93%. The second half of the Budget session, which began on March 9, saw the passage of some key legislation despite opposition uproar.

The second part of the session saw the passage of the Finance Bill 2026-27 and the Demands for Grants for various ministries, apart from the Appropriation Bill, thus completing the budgetary exercise in Parliament. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman replied to the discussion on the Finance Bill in both Houses.

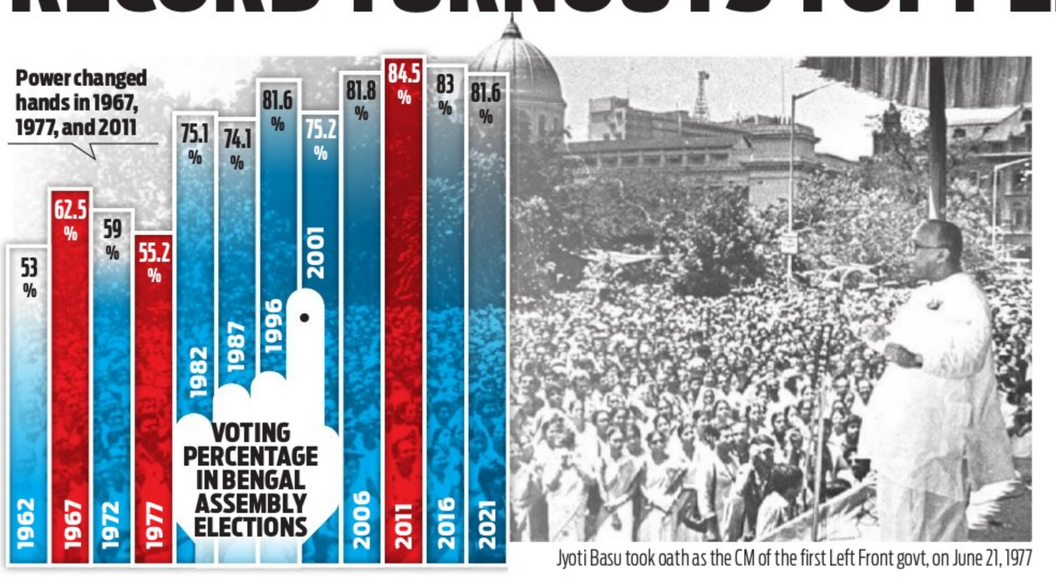
MURDER
A 30-year-old man was stabbed to death allegedly by his relatives after he asked for the ₹20,000 he had given, a police official said on Saturday. The deceased has been identified as Afsar (30).

2 DROWNED
3 RESCUED FROM POND IN MP'S MAIHAR DISTRICT

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	41	27	Mumbai	34	27
Bhopal	38	22	Panaji	34	27
Jaipur	39	23	Patna	39	24
Amritsar	36	21	Lucknow	40	23
Chennai	34	28	Port Blair	32	26
Kolkata	37	27	Imphal	31	19
Srinagar	27	11	Chandigarh	37	22

Only in 1977 elections after Emergency, Left Front stormed to power despite low polling ● 'Over 8K super sensitive booths identified'

RECORD TURNOUTS TOPPLED INCUMBENT IN BENGAL



Jyoti Basu took oath as the CM of the first Left Front govt, on June 21, 1977

VISMAY BASU @ New Delhi

THE link between voter turnout and change of government in West Bengal has long interested political analysts. In general, higher turnout is seen as a sign that voters want change. The state's election history mostly supports this idea, though there is one landmark exception that still draws attention.

In June 1977, voters across the state queued quietly outside booths in the aftermath of the Emergency and a spell of President's Rule. The atmosphere was subdued, perhaps reflecting a society emerging from political repression. That election proved historic, bringing the Left Front to power for the next 34 years. Yet, turnout stood at just 55.2% seen as a statistical anomaly in a state where political change is typically accompanied by surging participation.

Across India, higher voter turnout has frequently signaled anti-incumbency sentiment. When voters are motivated by a desire for systemic change, previously disengaged sections tend to participate in larger numbers. This dynamic was visible in the 2014 general elections, where record turnout coincided with a decisive shift in power at the national level. The underlying logic is straightforward-- political continuity thrives on voter apathy, while transformation requires mobilisation.

Historically, West Bengal has adhered closely to this pattern. In 1962, when the Indian National Congress dominated the state, turnout was a modest 53 %. By 1967, as the United Front emerged as a viable alternative, participation rose sharply to 62.5 %, resulting in a change of government. The electorate responded to the possibility of political realignment with increased engagement.

The 1977 deviation from this trend is widely attributed to the lingering effects of political repression. While the desire for change was strong, the mechanics of voting were constrained by fear, administrative fatigue, and residual distrust of state institutions. In this sense, turnout figures reflected not apathy but apprehension.

Once the Left Front consolidated power, the state entered an era of unusually high electoral participation. By 1982, turnout had climbed to 75.1%, marking the beginning of a decades-long phase where voting rarely dipped below the mid-seventies.

The clearest demonstration of the turnout–change link came in 2011. After decades of incumbency, the Left Front faced mounting public dissatisfaction, particularly over land acquisition controversies in Singur and Nandigram. The result was a surge in voter turnout to 84.5 %, one of the highest in the state's history. This electoral wave led to the rise of the AITC under Mamata Banerjee, marking a decisive political transition.

High participation has persisted even after this change in power. Turnout remained above 80% in 2016 and 2021, indicating that Bengal has evolved into a politically hyper-engaged electorate. Recent polls suggest a normalisation of high participation regardless of the outcome.

Deletion of names has nothing to do with any religion: Poll official

AS West Bengal prepares for a crucial Assembly election, concerns around electoral violence and voter intimidation along with SIR process remain central to public discourse. In this context, **Subrata Gupta**, a retired IAS officer serving as Chief Central Election Observer, tells **Subhendu Maiti** the extensive measures being undertaken by the Election Commission of India (ECI) to ensure free and fair polling across the state. **Excerpts:**

How is the EC preparing for free and fair elections this time?
There are many initiatives that the EC has taken to ensure free, fair and fearless polls in West Bengal. The Commission is fully conscious of the history of poll-related violence in the state and has accordingly introduced several measures. These include posting one General Observer for every Assembly constituency, one Police Observer for three constituencies, and one Expenditure Observer for four constituencies. In addition, CAPF personnel will be deployed in polling stations, along with webcasting from inside and outside booths.

What are the key measures to ensure voters can cast their votes without fear?
Apart from the observer system, the EC has planned 100% coverage of around 85,000 polling stations with at least half a section of CAPF at each. Quick Response Teams will cover clusters of 10–11 polling stations using GPS-enabled vehicles. A major non-force initiative is simultaneous webcasting from all polling stations, monitored by micro-observers through a three-tier control room system.

What steps have been taken to prevent booth capturing?
Continuous monitoring will act as a strong deterrent. All video footage will be preserved for scrutiny to decide on repolls if necessary. The EC will order repolls wherever malpractice is detected. The definition of booth capturing under Section 135A of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 has been expanded to include intimidation or obstruction of voters, even outside polling premises.

How many polling booths are considered highly sensitive?
Practically all polling stations are being treated as sensitive, with CAPF deployment and continuous video monitoring. In particularly sensitive cases, an additional camera may be installed. District administrations have identified over 8,000 "super sensitive" polling stations based on recent developments across most districts.

What is your response to allegations of targeting specific communities in voter roll revisions?
Electoral rolls do not record religious identity, making such targeting impossible. Notices have been issued based on data inconsistencies. In some cases, even hundreds of voters were linked to one person. These individuals have been asked to provide documentation to verify their credentials. I strongly reject any allegations of bias.

Why are many deleted voters reportedly from minority communities?
I do not have data to confirm such claims. Deletions occur when individuals fail to submit documents or when discrepancies stay unresolved. The process is overseen by judicial officers, and it's incorrect to allege bias.

How did deleted voters participate in earlier polls?
The revision exercise aims to clean electoral rolls that may have contained outdated or incorrect entries, including deceased or shifted voters. In such cases, impersonation may have occurred earlier. The current process seeks to eliminate such anomalies.

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR
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Railway sets up 'Bihutoli' in tribute to Zubeen

The Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR) has developed a 'Bihutoli', a cultural ground, and named it 'Zubeen Garg Railway Bihutoli' in a tribute to the music icon. It has been developed with modern facilities, including a permanent stage area, dining hall, toilet complex, community space, boundary wall and an all-weather ground. "The initiative underscores NFR's commitment to celebrating regional culture and honouring icons who have made significant contributions to society. The name stands as a symbol of Zubeen's enduring legacy, especially during the vibrant festival of Bihu," NFR Chief Public Relations Officer Kapinjal Kishore Sharma said.

New terminal boosts airport's domestic grid

Terminal 2 of Lokapriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport in Guwahati has strengthened the airport's domestic network. The operations at T2 commenced on February 22, marking a new phase of enhanced passenger comfort and operational efficiency. Airlines such as SpiceJet, Alliance Air, Air India Express, Air India and Akasa Air have transitioned to T2. IndiGo and international flights continue to operate from T1 and will shift in a phased manner. "T2 enhances the airport's annual handling capacity to 13.1 million passengers, reinforcing Guwahati's role as the primary aviation gateway to the Northeast," airport authorities said.

State has adequate fuel, LPG stocks, says IOCL

The supply of domestic LPG cylinders and petroleum products in Assam remains completely normal and adequate stocks of both LPG and petroleum products are available across the state, said Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL). Current stock levels are sufficient to meet around 21 days of petrol demand and 46 days of diesel demand. Nitin Bhatnagar, IOCL executive director, said all retail outlets were functioning normally without any restrictions on sales. "Uninterrupted availability is being ensured with continuous monitoring mechanisms, and effective coordination with state government officials," Bhatnagar added.

Retired Armyman among 2 dead in Manipur ambush

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

TWO Tangkhul Naga civilians, including a retired Indian Army soldier, were killed when suspected militants ambushed their vehicles on the Imphal-Ukhrul road in ethnic violence-hit Manipur on Saturday.

The deceased were identified as Chinaoshang Shokwungnao (45), who served the Indian Army, and Yaruingam Vashum (42). Both were Ukhrul natives. The attack was perpetrated near Yaolen Kuki village, about 4 km from Litan toward Ukhrul town. It came a day after Chief Minister Yumnam Khemchand Singh had visited various villages in the district to try and remove the trust deficit between Kuki and Tangkhul Naga communities.

Noting violence between both sides in the Litan areas, the state recently started providing security escorts to civilian vehicles between Mahadev and an area beyond Litan.

The vehicles were ambushed beyond Litan when they were moving toward Ukhrul from Imphal. Officials suspected that the attack was carried out by snipers from a long distance.

The Working Committee of Tangkhul Naga Long alleged that "Kuki SoO" (Suspension of Operations) rebels were involved in the attack. The Kuki-Zo Council (KZC) denied the involvement of Kuki individuals or groups in the incident.

Meanwhile, women's groups and civil society organisations announced a five-day statewide shutdown from Sunday over the recent bomb attack in Bishnupur district. The organisations set April 25 as the deadline for authorities to arrest all those who were involved in the attack.

HC withholds its order on Rahul FIR

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

THE Lucknow bench of the Allahabad High Court on Saturday withheld its order directing registration of an FIR against Congress leader Rahul Gandhi in the case of alleged dual citizenship.

Justice Subhash Vidyarthi deferred the operation of the judgment that had been dictated in open court on Friday. The court observed that an order on the petition of a BJP worker could not be passed unless the prospective accused was given an opportunity to be heard.

As per the two-page order, the bench decided to withhold the verdict after coming across a 2014 full bench judgment of the High Court in the case of Jagannnath Verma and others Vs State of UP and others. In this case, it held that a magistrate's order rejecting an application under section 156(3) of CrPC for the registration of a case and for investigation was not an interlocutory order and was amenable to the remedy of a criminal revision under section 397 of CrPC.

Relying on this, Justice Vidyarthi noted that in such revision proceedings, the prospective accused or the person suspected of having committed the crime was entitled to an opportunity of being heard before a final decision was taken. Noting that the application should not be decided without issuing notice to Rahul Gandhi, the court posted the matter for next hearing on April 20.

Karnataka BJP worker S Vignesh Shishir had moved the HC challenging the order of an ACJM court in Lucknow rejecting his petition seeking an FIR against Gandhi under provisions of the Bhartiya Nyaya Sanhita, Official Secrets Act, Passport Act and the Foreigners Act. The ACJM curt had rejected the petition in January.

Before the HC, the applicant submitted that Gandhi is a UK citizen and had incorporated a company named M/S Backops Ltd, which was registered in August 2003. It was submitted that Gandhi voluntarily declared his nationality as British, having a director ID and London and Hampshire addresses. It was claimed that Gandhi had submitted the company's annual returns in October 2005 and October 2006, listing his nationality as British. The company was dissolved by filing a dissolution application in February 2009.

It was submitted that Gandhi contested the 2004 Lok Sabha polls, disclosing the ownership of M/S Backops Ltd and his foreign bank account with Barclays Bank, London branch.

U'khand border tense over Nepal custom rules

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

A quiet anxiety has settled over the bustling markets of Banbasa, where the age-old rhythm of cross-border trade is facing a sudden, bureaucratic disruption. Following the directives of the new administration in Nepal, local authorities have begun strictly enforcing customs duties on all goods exceeding 100 Indian Rupees crossing the border.

What was previously an occasional administrative whisper has now become a rigid reality. Nepali border personnel are actively informing citizens via public announcements that importing even small quantities of daily essentials will now attract mandatory customs levies, or 'bhansar'. While the policy was technically introduced by the previous government nearly two years ago, its sudden, rigorous implementation has caught small-scale traders in India off guard.

For decades, economy of Uttarakhand's border regions has been inextricably linked with Nepal. Towns like Banbasa serve as essential supply hubs for daily necessities for thousands of Nepali households. The imposition of this tax does not just threaten the profit margins of Indian shopkeepers; it significantly escalates the cost of living for Nepali consumers who rely on affordability of these border markets.

This trade isn't just business; it is the lifeline for families on both sides of the border. When you tax basic, daily-use items, you aren't just hurting the Indian trader; you are placing an unfair burden on the Nepali consumer who depends on these competitive prices for their survival —Bharat Bhandari, president of Banbasa Trade Union

"We have shared a relationship of roti-beti—bread and daughter—with Nepal for over sixty years," says Bharat Bhandari, president of the Banbasa Trade Union. "This trade isn't just business; it is the lifeline for families on both sides of the border. When you tax basic, daily-use items, you aren't just hurting the Indian trader; you are placing an unfair burden on the Nepali consumer who depends on these competitive prices for their survival."

The impact is expected to be two-fold. Indian traders fear a sharp decline in footfall as the added tax makes goods less attractive to Nepali buyers. Simultaneously, small Nepali retailers, who source their inventory from Indian border towns, are bracing for a logistical crisis. If cost of goods rises high due to these tariffs, both the retailers and the end-users may be forced to look elsewhere, effectively severing decades of economic integration.

The trading community has issued an earnest appeal to the Nepali authorities. They are requesting a specific exemption for daily consumption items. "We urge the government to consider the plight of the common man," Bhandari added.

Passengers deplaned, sent to Delhi by bus after flights diverted to Jaipur

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

UNFAVOURABLE weather conditions and reduced visibility in Delhi caused major disruptions to flight operations on Friday night, leading to the diversion of 25 flights to Jaipur. Amid diversions, duty hours for pilots of four flights expired as Flight Duty Time Limitation (FDTL) rules prohibit flying beyond prescribed limit. As a result, these flights remained in Jaipur and passengers from two of them were deplaned and transported to Delhi by bus, airport officials said.

As adverse conditions persisted in the national capital, six more flights, two international and four domestic, were diverted later in the night. These included flights from destinations such as Kuala Lumpur, Colombo, New York, Fujairah, and Dubai.

Airport sources said Jaipur serves as one of north India's key diversion hubs during weather-related disruptions. "In bad weather, airports across the NCR are severely affected. In such situations, Jaipur becomes a viable alternative," an official said. The diversion of flights increased air traffic and kept the airport busy till late into the night, the official said.

On declaring 'emergency'
An airport official said, "When a flight runs low on fuel, declaring an emergency is standard protocol to ensure priority handling and preparedness for any situation."

Responding to questions on the sudden influx of flights, the official added, "We anticipate such scenarios. As an international airport, we have the capacity to manage increased traffic." On the return to normalcy, he said, "Weather conditions began improving late in the night. Flights were subsequently dispatched to Delhi, and by morning, operations had normalised."

In a separate incident, a full emergency was declared at Jaipur airport for an AirAsia international flight, D7-182. Unable to land in Delhi due to low visibility, the aircraft remained in a prolonged holding pattern over the capital. As fuel levels dropped, the flight was diverted to Jaipur as a precaution. The aircraft landed safely at around 11:15 pm. It later departed for Delhi at approximately 3 am.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client H.C. Mamatha D/o Smt. K.B. Sharadamma and W/o S.N. Nagaraju is the owner of the Schedule Property and acquired the same through Sale Deed dated 14.10.2015 bearing Registration No. GNR-1- 03804/2016-17 of Book-I, stored in C.D. No. GNRD126, in the office of Sub-Registrar, Ganganagar, Bangalore.

My client has lost the above referred registered original sale deed bearing Document No. GNR-1-03804/2016-17 of Book-I, stored in C.D. No. GNRD126, in the office of Sub-Registrar, Ganganagar, Bangalore and also she gave a police complaint to the said effect to the Karnataka State Police, Bangalore on 17.04.2026.

Any finders of the said documents may kindly intimate and hand over the same to my client or to the undersigned and the public are hereby cautioned not to deal with any persons in respect of the Schedule Property if doing so they will be doing at their own risk and consequences.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Property bearing Site No.53, Municipal No.53, PID No. 100-767-53, 4 th Cross, 8 th Block, RMV (Raj Mahal Vilas) 2nd Stage, Bangalore, measuring East to West (16.20+16.7)/2 meters and North to South 21.3 meters, in all measuring 350.35 Square meters (3770 Square feet) and bounded on the :

East by : Site No.52
West by : Site No.54
North by : 4th Cross Road
South by : Site No.62

K.V. SHYAMA PRASADA, Advocate
No.100, II Floor, 14 th Cross, Kilari Road
Bangalore-560 053. Date: 18.04.2026

BEFORE THE HON'BLE DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL- I AT BANGALORE, BSNL BUILDING 4TH FLOOR, RAJABHAVANA ROAD, BANGALORE
O.A. NO. 861/2021

Between:
M/s. ICICI Bank Limited
Having its branch office at:
No. 4/10, Mytree Center
Hosur Road, Bommanahalli
Bangalore-560 068. ...Applicant
And:
1. Mr. Modepalli Prakasam
S/o Mr. Chinnapenchalaiah
Aged about 35 years,
No. 1007, VDB Azure Floor 10, Gunjur Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore-560100.
Also available at
Nedurapalli, Podalakur Potti Sriramulu, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh - 524345.
2. Mr. Modepalli Pushker
S/o. Chinnapenchalaiah
Aged about 29 years
H.No. 33, 200/61A/1, 2nd Floor, Puchpa Nilayam, Behind Law College, Yellareddyguda, Amerpet, Hyderbad- 500073.
3. M/s. Value Designbuild Pvt. Ltd., Represented by Managing Director Mr. Koshy Varghese
Having office at,
No. 301 & 302, 3rd Floor, VDB Sentai, R. Narayanapura Main Road, Whitefield, Bengaluru-560066. ...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED TO DEFENDENT UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

WHEREAS: The applicant has instituted an application in the section 19 of recovery of debts due to Banks and Financial institution Act, 1993 against the You for recovery of a sum of Rs. 1,37,77,839/- (Rupees One Crore Thirty Seven Lakh Seventy Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Nine Only) together with current and future interest, cost and other reliefs. The above mentioned defendant is required to appear therefore here by direct to appear before the tribunal in person is through an advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on 03/07/2026 at 10.30 am as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in cause default the application will be heard and determine in your absence.

Given under my hand & the seal of the tribunal on this 17th Day of March, 2026

The Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal,
Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that Mr. T.B. Ravindra S/o Mr. Byatappa, aged about 57 years; Mrs. Shobha, W/o Mr. T.B. Ravindra, aged about 51 years; Smt. Sushma, D/o Mr. T.B. Ravindra, aged about 32 years; Smt. Vidyashree, D/o Mr. T.B. Ravindra, aged about 30 years; Smt. Rakshitha, D/o Mr. T.B. Ravindra, aged about 28 years; Kum. Sameeksha, D/o Mr. T.B. Ravindra, aged about 26 years; and Kum. Varsha, D/o Mr. T.B. Ravindra, aged about 25 years, Sl. No. 2 to 7 being represented by Sl. No. 1, all residing at Thindlu Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, are the absolute owners of the immovable properties bearing **Survey No. 38/2 measuring 1 Acre 15 Guntas and Survey No. 38/3 measuring 1 Acre 11 Guntas**, both situated at Gudighattanahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk.

The above owners had entered into a **Joint Development Agreement dated 15.04.2011** and a **General Power of Attorney dated 18.08.2011** in favour of **Mr. M. Babu Reddy, S/o Mr. A. Munireddy,** residing at No. 6/4, Hongasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk

Due to breach and non-performance of obligations under the said Joint Development Agreement and failure to commence and complete the development within the stipulated time, the owners have cancelled and revoked the said **Joint Development Agreement dated 15.04.2011 and General Power of Attorney dated 18.08.2011 with immediate effect.** A letter of termination dated **08.04.2026** has been duly issued to the said Mr. M. Babu Reddy intimating the said cancellation and revocation.

Therefore, the general public is hereby cautioned that the aforesaid Joint Development Agreement and General Power of Attorney are no longer valid or subsisting and Mr. M. Babu Reddy has no right, title, interest, or authority over the above said properties. Any person dealing with him in respect of the said properties shall do so at their own risk, cost, and consequences, and any such transaction shall be treated as null and void.

This notice is issued in the interest of the public to prevent fraudulent or unauthorized transactions.

Sd/-B.M. Chandrashekar
Advocate & Notary Public
#47, B.D.A. Complex,
Koramangala, Bangalore-560034.
Ph.No-91 97402 42067

Place: Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is informed that, **M/s. Vastu Housing Finance Corporation Limited.,** having its branch office at: No.39/2, Santhoshima Enclave, "B" Block, 3rd Floor, T.Dasarahalli, 8th Mile, Tumkur Road, Bangalore-560 057, has lost original property document held in their custody i.e., Registered Sale Deed dated 31.07.2019, executed by Mr.S.Krishnappa in favour of Mr.Ananda, registered as Document No.LAG-1-03697-2019-20, in Book-1, Stored in C.D.No.LAGD422, in the Office of the SRO- Laggere, Bangalore, pertaining to property bearing Site No.94, in Present Assessment No.18/19, Old Assessment No.18/7, Situated at Machohalli Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West: 40 Feet and North to South: 20 Feet, totally measuring 800 Square Feet, bounded on the East by: Road, West by: Site No.112, North by: Site No.95, and South by: Site No.93. **A Complaint is lodged in Crime Branch Bangalore City Police on dated 17.04.2026 Lost Report No.2160870/2026.** Finders may return the same to the above said Police Station or contact at the below address **within 07 days** from this publication.

Mr. Prashanth.Kumar.K . BA LLB
"LEX FACTUM" Advocates and Legal Consultants,
No.690, 2nd Floor, 36th Cross, 11th Main Road,
Rajajinagar 2nd Block, Bangalore-560 010

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that our client **Sri.Narayana Swamy S/o Sri.Muniyappa** is intending to purchase the schedule property mentioned hereunder from **Sri.V.Sagareshwara Reddy S/o Sri.Raghu Rami Reddy** and Rep. by GPA Holder **Sri.Vanki Penchalaiah S/o Sri.Vanki Audiseshaiah** person/s objecting for the proposed purchase or are having any right, title, interest or any type of claim over the scheduled property is hereby called upon to file their objections/claims what so ever along with documentary proof on or before **15 days** from the date of publication of this notice with the under mentioned advocate failing which; our client shall proceed and complete the sale transaction with the above stated person.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the land bearing **Sy.no.115** measuring **4.00 acres** situated at **Lagumenahalli village, Tubagere Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural** and bounded on the:

East by : Krishnappa land West by : Ramakrishnappa land, North by : Bedappa and Munishyamappa land, South by : Kenchappa land.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is issued on behalf of My clients **1.Sri.Uday Kiran.M and 2.Sri.Naveen.M both are sons of Muddukrishna.H.P** to bring the notice of the general public that Original registered two abosolute sale deeds as 1.Doc.No.ANK-1-19653-2004-05, & 2.ANK-1-04865-2006-07, both are registered in the office of the sub-registrar Anekal, Bangalore, are missing/lost/ misplaced in respect of schedule property.

If any person/s, firm, company, institution or organization has any claim are holding the afore mentioned document or schedule property, they may contact the undersigned in writing within **14 days** from the date of this notice failing which it will be presumed that there are no claims.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing House List **site No.208,** Khata No.33/1, Sl.No.521/285, property No.33/1, new Khata No.285/208, measuring West: **30 feet** and North to South: **40 feet,** total measuring **1200 Sq feet,** along with A.C.Sheet House, situated at **S.Bingipua, Podu Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District,** & bounded on :-

East by : Property No.209,
West by : Property No.207 (new Site No.52)
North by : Private property
South by : Road

H. Prahlada, Advocate & Solicitor,
For H.P.Law, #2, 3rd Floor, Venkateshwara Complex, Yeshwanthpur, Bangalore-560022
M : 7760061073

BENGALURU CO-OP. MILK UNION LTD., [BENGALURU DAIRY]

Dr. M.H. Marigowda Road, Bengaluru-560029
E-mail: bamulpurchase@gmail.com Website: www.bamulnandini.coop, Phone : 080-26096214 &282.

Tender Ref No: BAMUL/PUR/09/1844/T-350/2026-27 **Date:18.04.2026**

TECHNICAL CUM COMMERCIAL TENDER THROUGH KARNATAKA PUBLIC PROCUREMENT PORTAL

Bengaluru Co-op Milk Union Ltd., (BAMUL) Bengaluru, invites e- tender through e-Procurement Portal from the interested and eligible Manufacturers/ Contractor/Dealer /Distributors for Supply of the following item.

Sl	Particulars	Qty	Estd Cost in Lakhs	Tender No
1	Design, Supply, Installation, Testing and commissioning of **Plastic Injection Moulding Plant** to Bengaluru Dairy (Main Dairy).	01 Lot (Lumpsum)	3200.00	KMF/2026-27/ IND2173

1	Access to E-tender Documents	**18.04.2026 to 18.05.2026 till 02.00 PM**
2	Pre-Bid Meeting / Tender clarification date & time	**30.04.2026 till 11.00 AM**
3	Last date for submission of tender/ quoting	**18.05.2026 till 02.00 PM**
4	Date & time for opening Technical Tender	**19.05.2026 at 02.35 PM**
5	Date & time for opening Commercial Tender	**21.05.2026 at 11.30 AM**
6	Place of opening of Technical and Commercial Tender	**BAMUL (Bengaluru Dairy) Board Room**

The Tenderers shall submit separate tender for the above, Tenderers are advised to note the qualification criteria specified in Section VII to qualify for award of the contract.

The Earnest money deposit (E.M.D.) valid for 45 days beyond the validity of the tender i.e. total for 135 days, Tender processing Fee, modes of e-payment, tender document details and other details are mentioned in **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.inand** also **contact Help line No: 8046010000/8068948777**

Sd/- Managing Director
Tender Inviting Authority, Bamul

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

MINOR IRRIGATION & GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
M.I & G.W.D.D. DIVISION, VIJAYAPUR

No.EE/MID/VJP/AE-1,4/4702 & 4711/TND/2026-27/167 **Date:17.04.2026**

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

The Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Department, Division Vijaypur invites work tenders through "E-Procurement" from eligible contractor on item rate Tender for following works as per KTPP Act-2000 and latest amendments.

4702 Major Works :- Total 1 Work**(3rd Call)**, Amount put to Tender **Rs.451.77 Lakhs**, **Tender Period for the above work is Eleven(11) Months including monsoon.**

4711 Flood Protection Works :- Total 1 Work, Amount put to Tender **Rs.24.21 Lakhs**, **Tender Period for the above work is Three(3) Months including monsoon.**

4702 SCP Works :- Total 8 Works, Amount put to Tender **Rs.492.51 Lakhs**, **Tender Period for the above works are Three(3) Months to Eleven(11) Months including monsoon.**

Tender documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka E-Procurement website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in/#/portal/portal-home under login for Contractors from **18.04.2026.** Tenders may be submitted on electronically in E-Procurement portal up to **17-30 hrs.** on **27.04.2026.** Interested contractors information regarding works may be obtained from this office or e-Procurement helpdesk (Ph.No.080-25501216 & 080-25501227) upto **17-30 hrs.** on **24.04.2026.** Pre-bid meeting will be held on **22.04.2026** for work costing above 1.00 Crore in the office of the Executive Engineer, MI&GWDD Division, Vijaypur. Tenders shall be quoted without adding GST and other details can be seen in the tender documents.

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ವಿಜಯಪುರ/48/ಕೆವಸ್‌ಎಂಸಿಎ/2026–27 **Sd/- Executive Engineer, MI & GWDD Division, Vijayapur**

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NOTIFICATION

Bengaluru, 30th March, 2026

S.O. 1644(E)--In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 20 A of the Railway Act 1989 (24 of 1989) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government (Ministry of Railway, South Western Railway, Construction Organisation, Bengaluru Cantonment) after being satisfied that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which has been given in the schedule annexed hereto, is required for the execution of the Special Railway Project, viz., "Construction of ROB in lieu of LC No. 123 at Km 205/200-300 between Kadur Jn,and Birur Jn. (Kadur Town, Kadur Taluk, Chikamagalur)," in the state of KARNATAKA, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land:

Any person interested in the said land may, within a period Thirty days from the date of publication of this notification in the official Gazette, raise objection to the acquisition and use of such land for the aforesaid purpose under sub-section (1) of Section 20D of the said Act:

Every such objection shall be made to the Competent Authority viz., Assistant Commissioner, Tariekere and 'Arbitrator' viz., 'Regional Commissioner, Mysuru" for Construction of ROB in lieu of LC No. 123 at at Km 205/200-300 between Kadur Jn,and Birur Jn. (Kadur Town, Kadur Taluk, Chikamagalur district) in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the competent authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner, and may, after hearing all such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any, as the competent authority thinks necessary, by order, either allow or disallow the objections:

Any order made by the competent authority under sub-section (2) of Section 20 D of the said Act shall be final:

The land plans and other details of the land covered under this notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid Office of the Competent Authority viz., Assistant Commissioner, Tarikere.

SCHEDULE

Brief description of the land to be acquired, with or without structure. falling with in the proposed Special Railway Project of Construction of ROB in lieu of LC No. LC No. 123 at Km 205/200-300 between Kadur Jn,and Birur Jn. (Kadur Town, Kadur Taluk, Chikamagalur) in the state of Karnataka.

District: Chikkamagaluru **Taluk: Kadur**
Hobli: Kasaba **Village: Kadur**

Sl. No.	Assessment No.	Beneficiary	Classi-fication of land	Extent of acquisition: Extent in Sq.Mtr.	Extent of acquisition: Extent in Sq.Ft.	Building & others
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	321/307	B R Ananta Satyanarayana	Site	22.95	247.03	Compound & House
2	3584/3398	M Marulasiddappa	Site	104.12	1120.74	Vacant Land
3	3585/3399	D V Baahubali	Site	45.60	490.83	Compound
4	3586/3400	P M Narasing Rao	Site	24.70	265.87	Compound
5	3587/3401	Padma C/o Gopal Rao	Site	12.60	135.62	Vacant Land
6	3588/3402	M B Shashi	Site	36.25	390.19	Compound & House
7	3516/3333	M Rangappa	Site	44.16	475.33	Wall
8	3507/3324	Kadur Samagra Seve Sangha (RI)	Site	6.24	67.16	Wall
9	3499/3316 3502/3319 3503/3320 3504/3321	District Superintendent of Police, Chikmagalur	Site	177.50	1910.61	Compound
10	Municipal property	M S R Park	Park	306.00	3293.78	Park
11	3818/3611	Urdu Higher Primary School Girls & Boys	Site	111.80	1203.41	Compound
12	3819/3612	Lower Primary School	Site	37.80	406.88	Compound
	Total			929.72	10,007.50	

ABSTRACT

Sl. No.	Name of the Village	Extent of acquisition (in Area): Sq.Mtr.	Extent of acquisition (in Area): Sq.Ft.	Classification
1	Kadur	929.72	10,007.50	Compound, House and Park
	Total	929.72	10,007.50	

[No.W.271/CN/BNC/2025-26/Land SRP/1727]

Sd/-
(Pardeep Puri)
Chief Engineer-III/Construction/
South Western Railway, Bengaluru Cantonment

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ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಪತ್ರ

ಅಧಿಕೃತವಾಗಿ ಪ್ರಕಟಿಸಲಾದುದು

ಸಂಪುಟ ೧೬೧ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು, ಗುರುವಾರ, 16, ಏಪ್ರಿಲ್, 2026 (ಚೈತ್ರ, 26, ಶಕವರ್ಷ, 1948) ಸಂಚಿಕೆ 71
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ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಆಯಾ ಇಲಾಖೆಗಳ ಮುಖ್ಯಸ್ಥರ ಮತ್ತು ಸ್ಥಳೀಯ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಂಬಂಧಿಸಿದ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಗಳು

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ಗೃಹ ಆಯುಕ್ತರು, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಗೃಹ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ಕಾವೇರಿ ಭವನ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು.

[ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ನಿಯಮ–5, 20(1) (ಬಿ)]

ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್‌ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್‌ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013ರ ಕಲಂ –11(1)ರ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಕಗೃಮಂ/ಭೂಸ್ವಾವಿ/ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ/ಹೊನ್ನಿಹಾಳ/45/2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ:–08–04–2026

ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಉದ್ದೇಶಕ್ಕಾಗಿ ಅಂದರೆ ವಸತಿ ಯೋಜನೆಗಾಗಿ ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಬಾಗೇವಾಡಿ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಹೊನ್ನಿಹಾಳ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಅನುಸೂಚಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಣಿಸಿರುವ ಜಮೀನುಗಳ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನತೆಯ ಅವಶ್ಯಕತೆಯಿರುತ್ತದೆಯೆಂದು ಸರ್ಕಾರವು ಭಾವಿಸುತ್ತದೆ. ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಗೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್‌ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013 ರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 30)ಕ್ಕೆ ಅನುಗುಣವಾಗಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಅನ್ವಯಿಸುವಂತೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 23–07–2019 ರಿಂದ ಜಾರಿಗೆ ಬಂದಿರುವ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್ ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ (ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ) ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2019 (2019 ರ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 16) ರ ಕಲಂ–10(ಎ) ರಡಿ ಮೂಲ ಕಾಯ್ದೆಯ ಅಧ್ಯಾಯ-II & III ರಲ್ಲಿನ ಉಪಬಂಧಗಳನ್ನು ಅನ್ವಯಿಸುವುದರಿಂದ ವಿನಾಯಿತಿ ನೀಡಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:– ಕಂಇ 04 ಎಕ್ಯೂಎಲ್ 2026 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 21–02–2026ರಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯನ್ನು ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಈ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ: 27–02–2026 ರಂದು ಪ್ರಕಟವಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಆದುದರಿಂದ ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್ ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013ರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 30)ರ ಕಲಂ 12 ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಪ್ರದತ್ತವಾದ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ಚಲಾಯಿಸುವಂತೆ ಗೃಹ ಆಯುಕ್ತರು, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಗೃಹ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರಿಗೆ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ನೀಡಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಈ ಜಮೀನುಗಳ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕೆಲಸ ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸುವಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ನೇಮಿಸಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಮೋಜಣಿದಾರರಿಗಾಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ಈ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡುವವರಿಗಾಗಲೀ ಯಾರೂ ಅಡ್ಡಿ ಮಾಡಕೂಡದೆಂದು ಎಚ್ಚರಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್ ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣದ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013ರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮದ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 30) ರ ಕಲಂ–II(1) ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಈ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಗೊಂಡ ದಿನಾಂಕದಿಂದ ಸದರಿ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲಿರುವ ಭೂಮಿಯನ್ನು ಒಪ್ಪಂದದ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ವಿಕ್ರಯಿಸುವ, ಭೋಗ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಅಡವಿಡುವ, ಅನುಭವಿಸುವ, ಬದಲಾಯಿಸುವ ಅಥವಾ ಇನ್ನೂ ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳದಂತೆ ನಿರ್ಬಂಧಿಸಿದೆ. ಅಂತಹ ಯಾವುದೇ ಕ್ರಮ ಅಥವಾ ಇನ್ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಂಡಲ್ಲಿ ಅದನ್ನು ಐತೀರ್ಪು ರಚಿಸುವಾಗ ಗಣನೆಗೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳದೇ ಅಂತಿಮವಾಗಿ ಸದರಿ ಕಾಯ್ದೆಯನ್ವಯ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲಾಗುವುದೆಂದು ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು ಪುನರ್ ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013 ರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 30) ರ ಕಲಂ 15(1)ರ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯುಳ್ಳವರು ತಮ್ಮ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪವಿದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ, ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಈ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಗೊಂಡ 60 ದಿನಗಳೊಳಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯಕ್ಕೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬೇಕು. ತದನಂತರ ಸ್ವೀಕೃತವಾಗುವ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಯಾವುದೇ ಮುನ್ಸೂಚನೆ ನೀಡದೇ ವಿಲೇಯಕ್ಕೆ ಹಾಕಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಸದರಿ ಪ್ರಕರಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಭೂ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಪಡುವ ಜಮೀನಿನ ಒಂದು ನಕ್ಷೆಯನ್ನು ವಿಶೇಷ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಾಧಿಕಾರಿ–2, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಗೃಹ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆಗಾಗಿ ಇಡಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಅನುಸೂಚಿ

ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ:– ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು:– ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ಹೋಬಳಿ:– ಬಾಗೇವಾಡಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ:– ಹೊನ್ನಿಹಾಳ

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Haiti and Dominican Republic to reopen direct air links in May

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Dhaka	31	19	SNY	Moscow	4	2	SNY
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Houston	31	19	TDS	Singapore	28	25	TDS
Istanbul	33	21	SNY	Toronto	1	-5	SNY
London	13	9	SNY	Washington	3	-2	SNY

IRAN TURNS UP THE HEAT, CLOSES HORMUZ AGAIN OVER U.S. BLOCKADE

EMPHASISES THAT IT WOULD CONTINUE TO BLOCK TRANSIT THROUGH THE STRAIT AS LONG AS THE US BLOCKADE OF IRANIAN PORTS REMAINED IN EFFECT

CAIRO/ ANTALYA

Iran reversed its decision to reopen the Strait of Hormuz and fired on a tanker attempting to pass the waterway on Saturday. It also warned that it would continue to block transit through the strait as long as the US blockade of Iranian ports remained in effect.

Confusion over the critical chokepoint threatened to deepen the energy crisis roiling the global economy and push the two countries toward renewed conflict, even as mediators expressed confidence a new deal was within reach.

Iran's joint military command said on Saturday that "control of the Strait of Hormuz has returned to its previous state ... under strict management and control of the armed forces."

WAR WATCH

Indian-flagged tanker fired on, cruise ship threatened

Commercial vessels faced threats in the Strait of Hormuz on Saturday, maritime monitors said. A UK agency reported Iran's Revolutionary Guards fired at a tanker, while Vanguard Tech said an empty cruise ship was threatened while leaving the Gulf. The UK Maritime Trade Operations Centre said IRGC gunboats opened fire on a tanker northeast of Oman, but the vessel and crew were safe. Vanguard identified it as the India-flagged Sanmar Herald, citing the captain's account that patrol boats approached without radio contact and fired shots, damaging bridge windows. Vanguard also reported that the Malta-flagged cruise ship Mein Schiff 4 experienced a nearby splash while crossing near Oman. In a separate incident, the UKMTO said a container ship in the area was hit by an "unknown projectile," damaging some containers but causing no fire.

US's maximalist demands stall talks, says Iran official

Iran is not yet ready to hold a new round of face-to-face talks with US officials, a senior Iranian official said Saturday, citing Washington's refusal to abandon "maximalist" demands on key issues.

In an interview with *The Associated Press* on the margins of a diplomacy forum in Turkey, Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Saeed Khatibzadeh also said his country will not hand over its enriched uranium to the United States, rejecting claims made by Donald Trump.

"I can tell you that no enriched material is going to be shipped to United States," Khatibzadeh said. "This is non-starter and I can assure you that while we are ready to address any concerns that we do have, we're not going to accept things that are non-starters."

Trump says Iran cannot 'blackmail' US with Hormuz

Meanwhile, Trump on Saturday warned Iran not to "blackmail" Washington with its flip-flopping on the fate of the Strait of Hormuz, after Tehran declared the strategic waterway once again closed.

"We're talking to them. They wanted to close up the strait again — you know, as they've been doing for years — and they can't blackmail us," Trump said at a White House event. Trump said there would be "some information" about Iran later in the day, adding: "We're taking a tough stand." *AFP/AP*

Iran says it is reviewing new US proposals

TEHRAN: Iran's Supreme National Security Council said in a statement that Pakistan's army chief, serving as an intermediary, presented the proposals to Iran when he recently visited Tehran, and they were still under review. It was not revealed what was in the proposals. The council said Iran has yet to respond, but further talks would require the US to abandon "excessive demands and adjust its requests to the realities on the ground."

US says 23 ships turned back since Iran blockade

WASHINGTON: The US military says it has forced 23 ships to turn around near the Strait of Hormuz since it imposed a naval blockade of Iranian ports. In a post on X, the Central Command said US forces are still enforcing the blockade "against ships entering or exiting Iranian ports and coastal areas." The blockade ordered by President Donald Trump started April 13 as part of US pressure on Iran to reopen the Strait of Hormuz.

Macron blames Hezbollah for peacekeeper death

BEIRUT: A UN peacekeeping force in southern Lebanon came under attack with small arms fire Saturday morning leaving one French peacekeeper dead and three wounded, two of them seriously, France's president and the force known as UNIFIL said. Both President Emmanual Macron and the UNIFIL force blamed Hezbollah, but the militant group denied involvement.

Pakistan urges realism on US-Iran talks; Turkey meet backs cooperation

ISLAMABAD

PAKISTAN's efforts to resolve the conflict between the US and Iran have been going on with a "realistic and positively optimistic" approach, official sources said on Saturday, while emphasising "a deal is only done when it's done".

As Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif and Chief of Defence Forces Field Marshal Asim Munir wrapped up their respective visits to West Asia, reports began to circulate about the second round of talks in Islamabad. It is not yet clear when the next round of talks will take place. "As all eyes are set on the next round of Peace Talks in Islamabad, there is a need to remain realistic and positively optimistic. However, what also must be understood is that a deal is only done when it's done," an official source said.

Meanwhile, Foreign Ministers of Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Turkiye, and Egypt have discussed ways to enhance cooperation in "key areas of mutual interest" in a third consultative meeting held in Antalya. "The Foreign Ministers expressed a shared commitment to advancing this partnership, deepening coordination and expanding collaboration across key areas of mutual interest," it said.

Munir concludes Iran visit

Pakistan's Chief of Defence Forces Field Marshal Syed Asim Munir has concluded his three-day visit to Iran as part of Islamabad's efforts to resolve the conflict between the US and Iran. During the visit, Munir held discussions with Iran President Masoud Pezeshkian and also met with Parliament Speaker Mohammad Bagher Ghalibaf and Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi, the military's media wing said on Saturday.

Pak returns $2B to UAE

Pakistan has returned USD 2 billion it owed in debt to the United Arab Emirates, the country's central bank said Saturday. The announcement by the State Bank of Pakistan comes two days after Saudi Arabia deposited USD 2 billion, part of the USD 3 billion aid, with the SBP. *PTI*

Pakistan's Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif shaking hands with officials as he departs after attending the 5th edition of the three-day Antalya Diplomacy Forum in Antalya | AFP

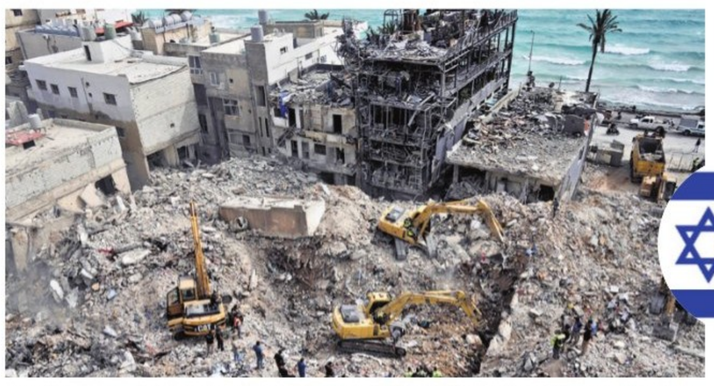
Israel draws Gaza-style 'Yellow Line' in Lebanon

JERUSALEM

ISRAEL's military said Saturday it had established a "Yellow Line" demarcation in southern Lebanon, similar to one separating its forces from Hamas-held areas in Gaza, adding it had hit a "terrorist cell" operating near its troops along the line.

"Over the past 24 hours, IDF forces operating south of the Yellow Line in southern Lebanon identified terrorists who violated the ceasefire understandings and approached the forces from north of the Yellow Line in a manner that posed an immediate threat," it said, referring to such a line for the first time since a ceasefire came into effect.

"In order to eliminate the threat... forces attacked the terrorists in several areas," it said, noting that the military was authorised to act against threats.



Excavators remove rubble from buildings destroyed in Israeli airstrikes on Thursday as rescuers search for victims in the city of Tyre, southern Lebanon | AP

Lebanon readies for Israel talks after truce

BEIRUT: Lebanon's president and prime minister discussed preparations for direct talks with Israel after a ceasefire ended weeks of war with Hezbollah. President Joseph Aoun said talks marked a new phase toward "permanent agreements". The truce displaced over a million people. As it held, some residents began returning south, though many remain cautious. Hezbollah opposed the negotiations, while authorities worked to reopen roads and support displaced families.

"Actions taken in self-defence and to remove immediate threats are not restricted by the ceasefire," it said. In a separate statement later on Saturday, the military said the air force had eliminated a "terrorist cell" operating near troops in southern Lebanon.

"The IDF eliminated a terrorist cell operating in proximity to IDF soldiers in southern Lebanon, in the area of the forward defence line," it said, referring to the Yellow Line.

It did not say how many militants were killed.

The IDF said it struck a shaft and Hezbollah fighters entering it, with a hit confirmed. Since the October 10 ceasefire, Gaza has been split by a "Yellow Line" dividing Israeli- and Hamas-controlled zones. *AFP*

PAKISTAN SEEKS EARLY IMF TRANCHE APPROVAL

ISLAMABAD: Pakistan is seeking early approval for the next IMF tranche, with a review team set to visit next month, Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb said in Washington. The tranche is estimated at $1.2 billion under ongoing programmes, including the Extended Fund Facility and Resilience and Sustainability Facility. A staff-level agreement was signed last year after the second review of the economy. Aurangzeb said discussions with IMF officials also covered the economic impact of the Iran conflict. He welcomed the reopening of the Strait of Hormuz, saying it would ease pressure on global oil supplies and inflation, and added that Pakistan remains focused on securing timely IMF support while advancing reforms and maintaining economic stability.

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This notice is issued on behalf of My clients **1.Sri.Uday Kiran.M and 2.Sri.Naveen.M both are sons of Muddukrishna.H.P** to bring the notice of the general public that Original registered two abosolute sale deeds as 1.Doc.No.ANK-1-19653-2004-05, & 2.ANK-1-04865-2006-07, both are registered in the office of the sub-registrar Anekal, Bangalore, are missing/lost/ misplaced in respect of schedule property.

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INVITATION FOR TENDERS (Tender Notification only through KPPP Portal)

Tumkur Co-operative Milk Producers Societies Union Ltd., Tumkur invites KPPP Portal tenders two cover system (Technical & Financial bid) from eligible tenderers for the listed below:

PART-A

Sl. No.	KPPP Tender No. & Date	Materials Details	E.M.D Amount Rs.
1	KMF/2026-27/IND2149 Date: 09-04-2026	Supply of different types of Compressors – 16 Nos.	17,400-00
2	KMF/2026-27/IND2150 Date: 09-04-2026	Supply of Batteries on ARC Basis – 45 Nos.	7,150-00
3	KMF/2026-27/IND2151 Date: 09-04-2026	Supply of Caustic Soda In Liquid Form (Lye) on ARC basis – 70,000 Kgs	58,800-00
4	KMF/2026-27/IND2152 Date: 09-04-2026	Supply of Chest Cooler 200 Ltrs Capacity- 100 Nos, 350 Ltrs Capacity – 100 Nos, 500 Ltrs Capacity – 15 Nos.And Visi Cooler 250 Ltrs Capacity – 30 Nos.To Tumkur And Bangal ore Market Area	1,41,600-00
5	KMF/2026-27/IND2153 Date: 09-04-2026	Printing And Supply Of DCS Books Total 10,500 Nos. And Milk Cards 2,00,000 Nos	34.400-00
6	KMF/2026-27/IND2154 Date: 09-04-2026	Supply of Milk Testing Equipments – Total 18,750 Nos	35,500-00
7	KMF/2026-27/IND2155 Date: 09-04-2026	Suppy of Can Conveyor Spares – Total 315 Nos.	16,400-00
8	KMF/2026-27/SE5162 Date: 10-04-2026	Biennial Rate Contract for Integrated Pest Management Programme For the Premises of Tumkur Milk Union And Chilling Center	40,000-00

1. Tender Schedule Downloading Date: From **13-04-2026 to 28-04-2026/ 2.00 P.M.** 2. Last Date for Submission Of Tender: **28-04-2026 / 2.00 P.M.** 3. Time & Date of Opening of Technical Tender Bid (cover 1): **29-04-2026 / 2.30 P.M.** 4. Web Site Address For E-tender: **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

PART-B

INVITATION FOR SHORT TERM TENDERS (Tender Notification only through KPPP Portal)

Sl. No.	KPPP Tender No. & Date	Materials Details	E.M.D Amount Rs.
1	KMF/2026-27/IND2147 Date: 09-04-2026	Supply And Installation Of Desktop Computer with UPS, Batteries, Multifunction Laser Jet Printer, Thermal printer and Remote Display Unit To Tumkur Milk Union Identified MPCS – 85 Unit	1,85,000-00
2	KMF/2026-27/IND2148 Date: 09-04-2026	Supply And Installation Of Electronic Weighing Scale To Tumkur Milk Union Identified MPCS – 18 Nos.	11,700-00

1. Tender Schedule Downloading Date: From **13-04-2026 to 21-04-2026/ 2.00 P.M.** 2. Last Date for Submission Of Tender: **21-04-2026/ 2.00 P.M.** 3. Time & Date of Opening of Technical Tender Bid (cover 1): **22-04-2026/ 2.30 P.M.** 4. Web Site Address For E-tender: **www.kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

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Gunman kills six, takes hostages in Kyiv supermarket, shot dead

KYIV: A gunman who killed six people in Kyiv before taking hostages in a supermarket was shot dead by police, Ukrainian officials said. Interior Minister Ihor Klymenko said the attacker opened fire on the street, killing four people, then entered the store and killed another. A sixth victim later died in hospital, Mayor Vitali Klitschko said. Police negotiators spoke with the gunman for about 40 minutes before special forces stormed the building. He was killed while resisting arrest. Klymenko said the attacker carried a legally registered carbine and had recently sought to renew his permit.

Guinea restores access after social media blackout

CONAKRY: A blackout on social media sites in Guinea, which is ruled by an authoritarian government, was lifted Friday, bloggers in the west African nation said. Guinean authorities have not officially commented on the restrictions, which were first announced Thursday by ABLOGUI, an association of Guinea bloggers. The group said it had observed a blockage on Facebook, Messenger, YouTube and TikTok starting Wednesday. Guinea is ruled by President Mamady Doumbouya, a former army general, who came to power in a 2021 coup.

Aus to get Japanese stealth frigates in $6 billion deal

SYDNEY

JAPAN agreed on Saturday on a deal to provide Australia's navy with the first of almost a dozen stealth frigates, part of a wider military build up by Canberra aimed at boosting its long-range firepower to deter China. Under the deal announced last year and billed as one of Japan's biggest defence export deals since World War II, Australia will pay Au$10 billion ($6 billion) over the next 10 years to acquire the fleet of stealth frigates.

Japan's Defence Minister Koizumi Shinjiro attended the signing of the contract to deliver the first three of the ships, Australia's defence ministry said. "This is the fastest acquisition for the Royal Australian Navy in peacetime," Australia's Minister for Defence Industry Pat Conroy said. "We are working closely with Japanese and Australian industry partners as we acquire one of the most, if not the most, advanced general-purpose frigates in the world," he added.

Australia is striving to expand its fleet of major warships from 11 to 26 over the next decade. Mitsubishi Heavy Industries was awarded the tender over Germany's Thyssenkrupp Marine Systems. Mogami-class warships are advanced stealth frigates equipped with a potent array of weapons.

Japan is deepening cooperation with US allies in the Asia-Pacific region that, like Tokyo, are involved in territorial disputes with China. Both Japan and Australia are members of the "Quad" group alongside India and the United States. *AFP*

₹24,217 Average earnings of a male worker with a regular wage/salaried employment in 2025 compared to ₹18,353 of a female worker in a similar employment

HDFC profit up 9% to ₹19,221 crore

For FY26, bank reports net income of ₹74,670 crore; revenue grows 5% to ₹46,000 crore

BENN KOCHUVEEDAN @ Mumbai

THE largest private sector lender, HDFC Bank, has reported a healthy set of numbers for the March quarter with a 9.1% on-year growth in standalone net income at ₹19,122 crore. For the full-year, the profit grew 10.9% to ₹74,670 crore. The key operational metric of net interest income grew at a tepid 3.2% to ₹33,080 crore in the March quarter, but a drop in provisions and robust fee income, including higher treasury gains despite a marginal hit due to the Reserve Bank-ordered forex unwinding covered up for this.

The bank, however, did not offer a number to the forex hit. Total revenue grew 5% to ₹46,280 crore for the quarter.

Key profitability metric net interest margin stood at 3.38% on total assets for the quarter and at 3.53% for the full year based on interest-earning assets. The asset quality improved with gross non-performing assets (GNPA) coming down to 1.15% from 1.33% and net non-performing assets came down to 0.33% from 0.38%. Provisions for the quarter were ₹2,610 crore and total credit cost ratio was at 0.35 for the quarter.

Other income rose to ₹13,200 crore of which fees and commissions came in at ₹9,220 crore up from ₹8,530 crore, gains from foreign exchange and derivatives were ₹1,490 crore up from ₹1,440 crore, net trading and mark to market gains of ₹820 crore up from ₹390 crore and miscellaneous income, including recoveries and dividend of ₹1,670 billion which was flat, the bank said during the concall on Saturday.

Expenses rose to ₹18,480 crore from ₹17,560 crore and the cost-to-income ratio was at 39.9. The balance sheet rose to ₹43.65 lakh crore from ₹39.10 lakh crore in March 2025 while total business rose to ₹60.7 lakh crore, of which, deposits were ₹31.05 lakh crore, up 10% on-year and advances were ₹29.64 lakh crore, an increase of 12% on-year. Of total deposits average, CASA were ₹9.18 lakh crore up 10.8% on-year, and 2.2% over the December quarter. CASA deposits comprise 34.1% of total deposits.

Speaking about the issue of AT1 bond mis-selling, chief executive Sashidhar Jagdishan — who for the first time attended an earnings call since he took over the helm of the bank five years ago — said the matter is under probe but the complainants were not uninformed investors as they claiming but were individuals looking for higher returns.

On the three legal firms probing the resignation of past chairman Atanu Chakraborty, Jagdishan said the given the volume of data, all I could say is that it is under progress and would take time; neither too long nor too short.

On whether he would seek a third term as CEO, his deputy Kaizad M Bharucha said: "The nomination and remuneration committee and the board are seized of the matter and will be taken in due course."

Whether they would seek chairman Keki Mistry to continue longer than the initially announced three months, both of them said: "We want him to be guiding us for a longer term, but the board will take the final call on that."

On the impact of the Iran war on the bank and their clients, chief financial officer Srinivasan Vaidyanathan said, of course there is an impact, but nothing material as of now.

Final dividend of ₹13 declared

The bank declared a final dividend of ₹13 a share for FY26 with the record date of June 19. In addition, the board also approved a special interim dividend of ₹2.5 a share. The bank also said it will make changes to the employee stock option plans.

ICICI Bank PAT up 8.5% to ₹13.7k cr on lower provisions

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

INDIA'S second largest private sector lender ICICI Bank on Saturday reported an 8.5% on-year increase in standalone net income at ₹13,702 crore for the March quarter as its provisions dropped 90%, while for the full-year the bottomline rose 6.2% to ₹50,147 crore.

It reported a net interest income of ₹22,979 crore, up from ₹21,193 crore, an 8.43% rise year-on-year.

Indicating a sharp recovery, the bank said its provisions fell sharply to just ₹96.16 crore from ₹890.70 crore a year earlier — a decline of 89.20%. This was partly aided by over ₹1,800 crore recoveries from written off accounts also, the bank said. It added that the bank has made additional standard provision of ₹1,283 crore as directed by the RBI. This apart, the bank has also an excess provision of ₹13,100 crore, executive director Sandeep Batra told reporters at an earnings call.

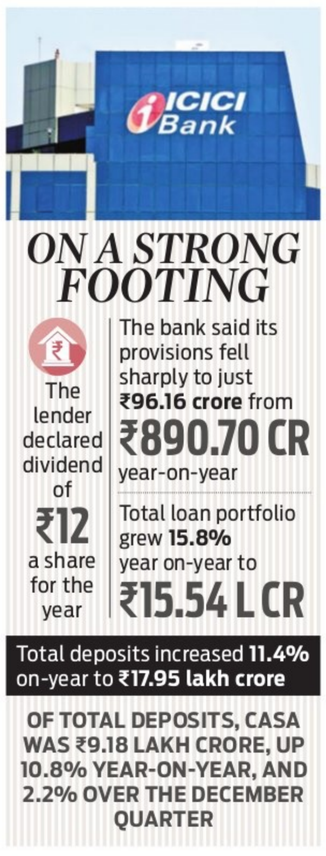
Asset quality also remained quite strong with gross NPAs improving by 27 bps to 1.40% net NPAs falling to 0.33% from 0.39% a year earlier, group chief financial officer Anindya Banerjee said, adding gross NPA additions were ₹4,242 crore compared to ₹5,142 crore in Q4FY25.

Recoveries and upgrades, excluding write-offs and sale, were ₹3,068 crore compared to ₹3,817 crore. The net additions to gross NPAs, excluding write offs and sale, were ₹1,174 crore compared to ₹1,325 crore. The bank has written off gross NPAs amounting to ₹1,768 crore.

Net interest margin was 4.32% compared to 4.30% in Q3 and the full-year NIM stood flat at 4.32%.

Banerjee further said, the bank took a net loss of ₹109 crore in treasury loss due to the RBI-mandated net open position unwinding as against a profit of ₹239 crore in the year-ago period.

Total loan portfolio grew 15.8% on-year to ₹15.54 lakh crore, of this retail loans grew by 9.5% and comprised 50.4% of the total loan portfolio and the rural portfolio grew 25.6% and domestic corporate portfolio grew 9.3%.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NEWSCOPE

NOIDA UNREST SIGNALS LABOUR CODES FAILURE

GURBIR SINGH

THE ferocity and the suddenness of the recent workers protests in Noida took many by surprise. Agitated industrial workers took to the streets in leaderless throngs, overturning and burning police SUVs, blocking traffic and destroying public property. This scale and militancy of industrial protests has not been seen in years.

It's a class of workers who have been taken for granted. Employed in small units in industrial clusters in the National Capital Region, they produce auto parts, garments, electronic items, labouring up to 12 hours a day, and earning barely ₹10,000 to ₹15,000 a month.

A war in the Persian Gulf, thousands of miles away, made the simmering discontent boil over. The sudden shortage of domestic gas and the spike in prices of alternative fuel and food items brought these folks to the end of their tether. The immediate trigger was a recent 35% hike in minimum wages in Haryana. The UP government's response was heavy-handed. More than 300 workers were arrested and many beaten up. Blame for the violence was heaped on "external instigators" and "Pakistani handlers operating through WhatsApp groups". However, better counsel prevailed and a late night interim 21% wage increase for Noida and Ghaziabad districts on April 14 has calmed tempers and industrial operations are slowly opening up.

New labour codes fail

We have seen similar blow-ups in the past. Over New Year 2026 lakhs of gig or app-based delivery workers went on strike for better wages, social security and most of all, against horrific work conditions like the "10-minute-delivery-promise" that resulted in road accidents. These flashes of industrial action show the Union's government's long-term legislative solution of annulling 29 labour laws and creating four Labour Codes in their place, is not working. Soon after the BJP government took power in 2014, it put the spotlight on the numerous and often over-lapping labour laws. Many of them from the pre-Independence era, and compliance to these laws was an investor's nightmare.

Last November, the BJP government repealed these laws and notified a set of four labour codes, to take effect from April 1, this year. The government thinking was: if India is to become investor friendly, the 'chakravyuh' of these labour laws would have to be broken.

The broad-brush arrangement worked out was: while workers should have access to a minimum wage, basic social and occupational security and health assistance, the legal tools that supported unionisation, industrial action, recourse to labour courts and other enforcement measures should be minimised and discouraged.

MANDAR PARDIKAR

What effectively happened is the machinery for resolving industrial disputes was closed. A closer look at the Code of Industrial Relations, 2020 will reveal it gives a freer hand to industrial managements than its earlier avatar, the Industrial Disputes Act, 1948.

For instance, small and medium units, employing less than 300 workers, now do not need permission from the government for retrenchment or closure of the unit.

Mandatory "conciliation proceedings" under the new code have made a 'legal' strike virtually impossible.

The introduction of "fixed-term employment" has allowed employers to hire workers for specific periods without facing stringent regulations for retrenchment as applicable for permanent workers.

On the other hand, fixing and implementation of minimum wages by the states, a complex process based on cost of living in different regions, has been given the go by.

Leaderless protests

What we are therefore now witnessing is spontaneous, raw and violent protests. There is no organized trade union leadership, and collective bargaining has been stamped out. In its place workers are resorting to collective action hoping for instant results. No wonder the Yogi Adityanath government sees these protests as the work of 'instigators' and 'conspirators'!

This is true not only of the Noida protests. Violent worker agitations have broken out in Panipat, in Haryana, Singrauli in Madhya Pradesh earlier this year; and now the Noida protests have spread to Faridabad, Palwal and industrial estates in Rajasthan.

The Union government has been celebrating the fall in the number of industrial disputes and weakening of the trade union movement as signals of improvement in the business environment. The data supports this view. Formal industrial disputes (strikes and lockouts) have fallen from an annual average of 350 in the 2006-14 period, to just 76 in the Narendra Modi period (2015-23). Unionisation density, meanwhile, has dropped from about 30% in 1985 to 15% in 2024, with private-sector unionization plummeting to a mere 1.8%.

This is the result of two factors: the shift towards increasing contractualisation of labour with no permanent status has taken away the workers' bargaining power; and the economic policies of liberalisation have seen to it that unionization is discouraged and seen as regressive to development and production. While a docile workforce and a hire-and-fire regime works for corporates in the short term, the simmering discontent among workers has become a powder keg waiting to blow up anytime. Perhaps, the older more sophisticated system of dispute resolution through collective bargaining, with the option of recourse to labour courts by both management and workers, may work as a better safety valve.

YES Bank reports best-ever numbers in 24 qtrs

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

THE Yes Bank on Saturday said it reported its best-ever numbers in 24 quarters with a robust 45% jump in standalone net income in the March quarter at ₹1,068 crore, driven by improved loan growth and stable asset quality.

This is also first quarter since the 2020 crisis, the bank crossed net profit of ₹1,000-crore. In the year-ago period, the bank had reported ₹739 crore in net income.

This is the also first quarterly result under the leadership of new chief executive officer Vinay M Tonse, who joined only two weeks ago.

In the earnings call on Saturday, Tonse said the bank aims to target a margin of 3.25-3.5% over the next two to three years, while looking to build a bank with sustainable return ratios and stressed that the bank will not chase growth at the cost of profitability.

We concluded FY26 on a strong footing, delivering an RoA of 1% in line with our guidance, supported by a 20 bps improvement in NIMs, the lowest GNPA and NNPA levels since FY20—Vinay M Tonse, CEO

The bank's net interest margin for the quarter came in at 2.7%, up from 2.5% in the corresponding quarter last fiscal. Total income rose marginally to ₹9,381 crore from ₹9,356 crore.

Asset quality improved marginally with the bank making a one-time provision of ₹341 crore which Tonse said "is to be in alignment with some of the evolving conservative provisioning practices. Accordingly it has proactively strengthened standard asset provisioning coverage by making a one-time provision of Rs 341 crore. This does not reflect any deterioration in asset quality, impairment, or adverse credit development within the portfolio," he said.

Gold returned 25% annually since Akshaya Tritiya in '23

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

INVESTMENT in gold on Akshaya Tritiya since 2023 has generated a compounded annual growth rate (CAGR) of 24.5%, and experts believe the metal's role as a diversifier is still structurally strong. Gold prices in the past one month have seen a decline — with prices falling by as much as 8% at one point of time, yet analysts say the demand for gold as a haven against economic uncertainty, hedge against inflation, portfolio diversification and liquidity would continue.

The recent correction has only improved the entry point, says analysts

"Going ahead also we expect gold, in addition to retail investor allocation will also remain core portfolio for many central banks around the world. However, near term outlook will depend on evolving global macro environment, liquidity, and inflation impact of the ongoing geopolitical scenario," says Prashant Pimple, CIO – Fixed Income, Baroda BNP Paribas Mutual Fund.

According to Chirag Mehta, CIO, Quantum AMC, investors who purchased gold on Akshaya Tritiya 2023 saw their holdings appreciate by approximately 12.7% over the following year.

Business & Beyond

Connplex Cinemas launches Luxuriance Cinema in Pune

Connplex Cinemas, has launched its premium Luxuriance format at CINEBAR, Level 1, Tribeca Highstreet, NIBM, Pune, bringing a new era of cinematic indulgence to the city. Connplex Cinemas is set to cater to a growing base of urban, affluent audiences seeking elevated entertainment experiences. With a rapidly expanding network of 300+ screens across 35+ locations, it continues to redefine movie-going through a blend of cutting-edge technology, refined aesthetics, and immersive comfort. Its three distinct formats — Express, Signature, and Luxuriance — are designed to cater to a wide spectrum of audiences across India. The Pune property features four ultra-premium screens.

Flipkart partners with Uber to offer SuperCoins on everyday rides

Flipkart announced a partnership with Uber, one of India's leading mobility platforms, that allows users to earn SuperCoins on every eligible Uber ride. This initiative advances SuperCoins into a lifestyle loyalty program, allowing users to earn on their daily commute while furthering Flipkart's vision of building a rewards program akin to India's loyalty ecosystem; for Uber it adds incremental value to everyday mobility. By linking their Flipkart and Uber accounts, users can earn 4% of their fare as SuperCoins on every eligible ride, up to 150 coins per trip, with no cap on total earnings. These SuperCoins are credited directly to the user's Flipkart account and can be redeemed across the Flipkart ecosystem.

SWELECT Energy Systems launches off-grid solar cooking amid gas crisis in India

SWELECT Energy Systems Limited announced the launch of Off-Grid Solar Cooking, a clean-energy cooking solution unveiled on Tamil New Year. The product arrives at a time when LPG prices are rising steeply and gas availability is increasingly uncertain, offering households a sustainable and self-sufficient alternative for everyday cooking. SWELECT's Off-Grid Solar Cooking solution leverages Solar PV Panels to power standard electrical induction stoves, eliminating dependence on both the electricity grid and cooking gas. Households can prepare meals using nothing but the power of the sun, bringing energy independence directly into the kitchen. "This Tamil New Year, we wanted to bring a meaningful gift to Indian households – the freedom to cook without worrying about gas cylinders or power cuts," said Dr. Arulkumar Shanmugasundaram, MD & CEO.

Vedanta Aluminium brings humanoid ALAISA in BALCO

Bharat Aluminium Company Limited (BALCO), a unit of Vedanta Aluminium, has deployed ALAISA (Aluminium AI Support Agent), a first-of-its-kind humanoid, AI-powered assistant designed to enhance shop-floor capability, operational efficiency, and industrial safety in aluminium manufacturing. Currently operational at BALCO's smelter complex in Chhattisgarh, ALAISA functions as an on-ground training, knowledge, and decision-support interface for shop-floor teams. The system integrates conversational AI with plant-specific operational intelligence to deliver contextual, real-time guidance on SOPs.

Ashok Leyland launches twin fuel variants of DOST, DOST+ XL

Ashok Leyland announced the launch of TWIN FUEL variants of its popular Light Commercial Vehicles (LCVs) – DOST and DOST+ XL. This milestone reinforces its commitment to delivering sustainable customer-centric mobility solutions in the LCV segment. The vehicles were unveiled by Mr. Amandeep Singh, President – LCV, IO, Defence & Power Solutions, Ashok Leyland, in the presence of Mr. Viplav Shah, Head - LCV Business, Ashok Leyland. The newly launched TWIN FUEL models are equipped with advanced technology that allows seamless switching between CNG and petrol.

YASHASWINI MAHILA SOUHARDA CREDIT CO-OPERATIVE SOCITEY LTD

Authorised Officer's Details:	Address:
Name: **AVL Rao** Authorised Officer Mob: **9945300333**	**Yashaswini Mahila Souharda Credit Co-operative Society Limited.,** No.107, Pipeline Main Road, Officers Model Colony, T.Dasarahalli, Bengaluru-560 057. Tel: 080 23720950, Mob: 9945300333, email:yashaswini96@rediffmail.com

Appendix: IV-A, [See Proviso to rule 8(6)]
Sale notice for sale of immovable property
(Excluding movable assets, if any, lying in the premises)

AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE ASSETS (EXCLUDING MOVABLE ASSETS, IF ANY, LYING IN THE PREMISES) UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISO TO RULE 8 (6) AND RULE 9(1) OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the Borrowers / Mortgagers in particular that the below described immovable property mortgaged / charged to the Secured creditor, Yashaswini Mahila Souharda Credit Co-operative Society Limited, the physical possession of which have been taken by the Authorized Officer/ Secured Creditor on 25.06.2024, will be sold on **"As is where is" , "As is what is"** and **"Whatever there is"** basis on 21.05.2026 for recovery of **Rs. 78,16,530/- (Rupees Seventy Eight Lakhs Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred and Thirty Only)** as on 25.06.2024 and further interest at contractual rate from 26.06.2024 with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc..due to Yashaswini Mahila Souharda Credit Co-operative Society Limited, **Secured creditors from Smt. Suvarna Bai W/o Eshwar Rao Pawar. L**

The reserve price, earnest money deposit bid increment amount and last date for receipt of EMD will be as under:

Reserve Price (below which the property will not be sold)	Earnest Money Deposit	Bid increment amount	Time & date of Public Auction	Last date submission of EMD along with KYCdocuments
Rs.80,00,000/-	**Rs.10,000/-**	**Rs.20,000/-**	**11.30 am to 12.30 pm on 21.05.2026**	**20.05.2026. Upto 4.00 PM**

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Tender No: YMSCCSL/02/2026

All Piece and Parcel of Northern Portion of House Property as per Registered Rectification Deed Dated.05.02.2011 Vide Document No.LAG-1-07523-2010/11, CD No.LAGD94, Registered at – Laggere Sub-Registrar Office, Site No.3, Assessment No.47, Khatha No.380, Situated at Laggere Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobali, Bangalore North Taluk, Dasarahalli CMC Ward No.31, Presently Within the Limits of BBMP Ward No.73, Measuring East to West: 43-00 ft and North to South: 15-00 ft, Total Measuring 645 Sqft with 2floor RCC Building and Bounded on: **East by:** Road, **West by:** Site No.63, **North by:** Site No.4 and **South by:** Remaining Portion of the Same Site No.3.

To the best of knowledge of the Authorised Officer, there is no encumbrance on the above said property. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please contact to YashaswiniMahilaSouharda Credit Co-operative Society Limited, No.107, Pipeline Main Road, Officers Model Colony, T.Dasarahalli. Bengaluru-560057. Tel: 080 23720950, Mob: 9945300333, email:yashaswini96@rediffmail.com.

Sd/- Authorize Officer
Yashaswini Mahila Souharda Credit Co-operative Society Ltd.

Date : 16.04.2026
Place: Bengaluru

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POSSESSION NOTICE

(FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY ONLY)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Bank of Baroda, PBB Branch** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with **Rule 3** of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated **09/01/2026,** calling upon the Borrower **Mr. Durai Alagar Raja** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 39,51,245.87 (Rupees Thirty nine Lakh fifty one thousand two hundred forty five and paisa eighty seven only)** as on **09/01/2026** plus interest & other charges (if any) from 06-12-2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub section (4) of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **15th**day of **April** of the year **2026**

The Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property **will be subject to the charges of Bank of Baroda,PBB Branch,** for an amount of **Rs. 39,51,245.87 (**Rupees Thirty nine Lakh fifty one thousand two hundred forty five and paisa eightyseven only)as on **09/01/2026** plus interest from 06-12-2025 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

The borrower's attention is invited to sub-section (8) of Section 13 in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Schedule "A": All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing converted Sy. No. 82, measuring 2 Acre 10 ¾ Guntas, and converted land bearing Sy. No. 83, Measuring 27 ½ Guntas (the land bearing Sy. No. 82 is converted for residential purpose vide conversion order No.B.Dis.ALN (E) VB:SR.299/2004-05, dated 06/12/2004, issued by the special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist., Bangalore, and the land bearing Sy. No. 83 converted for residential purpose vide Conversion order No.BDS.ALN(E)VB/SR.100/2005-06, dated 28/10/2005, issued by the special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore Dist., Bangalore) all the properties referred to above are situated adjacent to each other at Seegehalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and bounded on the:East by : Remaining Portion of same land in Sy. Nos. 82 & 83; West by : Private property belonging to Sri. K.S. Manjunath; North by : Sheegehalli Main Road; South by: Property belonging to Sri. T. Krishnappa & Sri. Y. Narayanappa;

Schedule "B": 585 Sq. feet undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property mentioned in Schedule "A" above.

Schedule "C": Flat bearing No. 111, 1st Floor, Block 2, Wing B in the building known as "Sraddha Whitecliff" with SBA of 1515 sq.ft & UDS of 585 sq. ft. constructed on Land bearing Sy. No. 82 Seegehalli, VP Khata No. 773/82/P and 774/82/P and Sy. No. 83, Seegehalli VP Khata No. 773/83/P Bidrahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore Karnataka 560066

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
Bank of Baroda,

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 15.04.2026

Government of Karnataka

DIRECTORATE OF URBAN LAND TRANSPORT URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER URBAN LAND TRANSPORT
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Fax : 080-22226630, E-Mail : dultbangalore@gmail.com, dult@karnataka.gov.in

No: DULT/4/2026 Date:18.04.2026

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Directorate of Urban Land Transport (DULT) invites E-bids from qualified consultancies for the services of preparation of road inventory and mobility plans for selected city municipal corporations under the Belagavi division, Bengaluru division, Kalaburagi division and Mysuru division, Karnataka as four separate tenders. The last date for the receipt of e-bid on the KPPP portal for tender is 15.05.2026, 5.30pm. The bidders may download the tender documents for from https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in web portal.

Tender Number is as follows: Belagavi Division - DULT/2026-27/SE0045, Bengaluru Division - DULT/2026-27/SE0046, Kalaburagi Division - DULT/2026-27/SE0047, Mysuru Division - DULT/2026-27/SE0048

Sd/-
(Administrative Officer)
Directorate of Urban Land Transport
Urban Development Department.

DIPR/CP/264/SHIRDI SAI/2026-27

Dakshina Kannada Co-operative Milk Producer's Union Limited

Mangalore Dairy Premises, Kulshekar, Mangalore- 575 005

No:DKMU/ADMN/ 230/2026-27 Date: 17.04.2026

INVITATION FOR TENDER (KPPP OF GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA)

Dakshina Kannada Co-operative Milk Producer's Union, invites tender through KPP Portal directly from IRDA approved Insurance Companies to providing Tailor Made Family Floater Group Mediclaim Insurance Policy to its employees and their dependent family, Member of Board and their dependent spouse and Retired employees and their dependent spouse. Tender documents may be downloaded from KPP Portal Web site **https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in**

Sl. No.	Description	No of Employees	No of Retired Employees	No of Board Member	EMD Amount
1.	Tailor Made Family Floater Group Mediclaim Insurance Policy for the period of one year from 06.06.2026 to 05.06.2027	242	129	15	1000=00

Last date for submission of Tender : 11.05.2026 4.00 p.m.
Date of opening of Technical Tender : 13.05.2026 10.00 a.m.
Commercial bid : 14.05.2026 10.00 a.m

The Managing Director reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Further details contact help desk Phone **8046010000 OR 8068948777 e-mail to support@eprochelpdesk.com.**

FOR DAKSHINA KANNADA MILK UNION
Sd/-
MANAGING DIRECTOR

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, DIVISION, CHITRADURGA

Short Term Tender Notification No. 03/2026-27, Dated: 18.04.2026

SHORTTERM E-TENDER NOTIFICATION FOR PREPARATION OF DETAILED PROJECT REPORTS (DPR'S) FOR THE PROPOSED WORKS TO BE TAKEN UP UNDER CEPMIZ

The Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Division, Chitradurga is inviting tenders for preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPR's) for the works to be taken up under CEPMIZ as per Standard Bidding Document and KPWD Norms.

Name of work:- (1) Preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPR's) of Upgradation of Minority Welfare Department Hostels and Residential school in Chitradurga taluk and Upgradation of Hostel in Hosadurga taluk /call-2 **EMD:-**Workwise EMD Details may be obtained through KPPP Portal

(2) Preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPR's) of Upgradation of 2 Hostels in Chitradurga Taluk, Upgradation of 3 Hostels and 1 Residential Schools in Holalkere Taluk, Upgradation of 2 Hostels in Molakalmur Taluk of Tribal Welfare Department/ call-2 **EMD:-**Workwise EMD Details may be obtained through KPPP Portal

(3) Preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPR's) of a) Strenthening of Nanidurga Goat Breeding centre in Hosadurga taluk Chitradurga Dist. b) Strenthening of Amruth Mahal Cattle Breeding sub centre at Kainadu in Hosadurga taluk, and Chikkayamiganur in Hosadurga taluk Chitradurga Dist. c) Strenthening of Veterinary Facilities at 21 place in Chitradurga, Holalkere and Hosadurga taluks of Chitradurga Dist. **EMD:-** Workwise EMD Details may be obtained through KPPP Portal

Tender Process Details : 1) Tender Dcoument can be downloaded in KPPP Portal from 18.04.2026 to 28.04.2026 upto 16.00 Hours 2) Pre bid meeting on 23.04.2026 at 11.30 Hours (o/o Executive Engineer Office, PWD Division Chitradurga) 3) Last date & Time for Receipt of Tenders 28.04.2026 upto 16.30 Hours 4) Date & Time for opening of Technical bid 29.04.2026 at 16.45 Hours 5) Date & Time of Opening of Financial Proposal: will be informed separately to those consultants whose technical proposal is accepted. 6) Corrigendums, Addendums and Modifications in Notification if any will be published in KPPP Portal only.

Terms of Reference may be downloaded in KPPP portal of the Government of Karnataka (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in) from 18.04.2026. Registered Consultancy firms in KPPP portal are eligible to participate in any number of tender, But on consultancy firm is eligible to obtain Tender.

Any information can be obtained from o/o Executive Engineer Office, PWD Division Chitradurga during office hours on all working days and also through kppp.karnataka.gov.in KPPP Portal Helpdesk Telephone No. 91 9240214000 & 91 9240214001.

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ನಮೂನೆ–V

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[ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ನಿಯಮ–5, 20(1) (ಬಿ)]

ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್‌ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್‌ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013ರ ಕಲಂ –11(1)ರ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ

ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: ಕಗೃಮಂ/ಭೂಸ್ವಾವಿ/ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ/ಮರಕಟ್ಟಿ/43/2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 31.03.2026

ಸಾರ್ವಜನಿಕ ಉದ್ದೇಶದ ವಸತಿ ಯೋಜನೆಗಾಗಿ ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ಬೈಲಹೊಂಗಲ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ನೇಸರಗಿ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ಮರಕಟ್ಟಿ ಗ್ರಾಮದ ಈ ಕೆಳಗಿನ ಅನುಸೂಚಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕಾಣಿಸಿರುವ ಜಮೀನುಗಳ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನತೆಯ ಅವಶ್ಯಕತೆಯಿರುತ್ತದೆಯೆಂದು ಸರ್ಕಾರವು ಭಾವಿಸುತ್ತದೆ. ಈ ಯೋಜನೆಗೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್ ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013 ರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 30) ಕ್ಕೆ ಅನುಗುಣವಾಗಿ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ರಾಜ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಅನ್ವಯಿಸುವಂತೆ ದಿನಾಂಕ:– 23.07.2019 ರಿಂದ ಜಾರಿಗೆ ಬಂದಿರುವ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು ಪುನರ್ ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ (ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ) ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2019 (2019 ರ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:16) ರ ಕಲಂ–10(ಎ) ರಡಿ ಮೂಲ ಕಾಯ್ದೆಯ ಅಧ್ಯಾಯ II & III ರಲ್ಲಿನ ಉಪಬಂಧಗಳನ್ನು ಅನ್ವಯಿಸುವುದರಿಂದ ವಿನಾಯಿತಿ ನೀಡಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:– ಕಂ.ಇ 02 ಎ ಕ್ಯೂ ಎಲ್ 2026 ದಿ:–24–02–2026 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯನ್ನು ಹೊರಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಈ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ರಾಜ್ಯ ಪತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ದಿನಾಂಕ 04.03.2026 ರಂದು ಪ್ರಕಟವಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಆದುದರಿಂದ ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು, ಪುನರ್ ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013 ರಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ:30)ರ ಕಲಂ 12 ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಪ್ರದತ್ತವಾದ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ಚಲಾಯಿಸುವಂತೆ ಗೃಹ ಆಯುಕ್ತರು, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಗೃಹ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರಿಗೆ ಅಧಿಕಾರ ನೀಡಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಈ ಜಮೀನುಗಳ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಕೆಲಸ ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸುವಲ್ಲಿ ಸರ್ಕಾರದಿಂದ ನೇಮಿಸಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಮೋಜಣಿದಾರರಿಗಾಗಲಿ ಅಥವಾ ಈ ಕೆಲಸ ಮಾಡುವವರಿಗಾಗಲೀ ಯಾರೂ ಅಡ್ಡಿ ಮಾಡಕೂಡದೆಂದು ಎಚ್ಚರಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ. ಭೂ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ , ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು ,ಪುನರ್ ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣದ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013ರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮದ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 30) ರ ಕಲಂ–11(1) ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಈ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಗೊಂಡ ದಿನಾಂಕದಿಂದ ಸದರಿ ಭೂ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನಪಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲಿರುವ ಭೂಮಿಯನ್ನು ಒಪ್ಪಂದದ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ವಿಕ್ರಯಿಸುವ ,ಬೋಗಕ್ಕೆ ಅಡವಿಡುವ, ಅನುಭವಿಸುವ, ಬದಲಾಯಿಸುವ ಅಥವಾ ಇನ್ನೂ ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳದಂತೆ ನಿರ್ಭಂದಿಸಿದೆ. ಅಂತಹ ಯಾವುದೇ ಕ್ರಮ ಅಥವಾ ಇನ್ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಕೈಗೊಂಡಲ್ಲಿ ಅದನ್ನು ಐತೀರ್ಪು ರಚಿಸುವಾಗ ಗಣನೆಗೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳದೇ ಅಂತಿಮವಾಗಿ ಸದರಿ ಕಾಯ್ದೆಯನ್ವಯ ಭೂ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನಡಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಲಾಗುವುದೆಂದು ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ತಿಳಿಯಪಡಿಸಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಭೂ ಸ್ವಾಧೀನ ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪಾರದರ್ಶಕತೆ, ಸೂಕ್ತ ಪರಿಹಾರದ ಹಕ್ಕು ಪುನರ್ ವಸತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಪುನರ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಕಾಯ್ದೆ–2013 (2013 ರ ಕೇಂದ್ರ ಅಧಿನಿಯಮ ಸಂಖ್ಯೆ: 30) ರ ಕಲಂ 15(1)ರ ಮೇರೆಗೆ ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯುಳ್ಳವರು ತಮ್ಮ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಈ ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ ಪ್ರಕಟಗೊಂಡ 60 ದಿನಗಳೊಳಗಾಗಿ ಈ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯಕ್ಕೆ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಬೇಕು. ತದನಂತರ ಸ್ವೀಕೃತವಾಗುವ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಯಾವುದೇ ಮುನ್ಸೂಚನೆ ನೀಡದೇ ವಿಲೇಯಕ್ಕೆ ಹಾಕಲಾಗುವುದು.

ಸದರಿ ಪ್ರಕರಣದಲ್ಲಿ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೆ ಒಳಪಡುವ ಜಮೀನಿನ ಒಂದು ನಕ್ಷೆಯನ್ನು ವಿಶೇಷ ಭೂಸ್ವಾಧೀನಾಧಿಕಾರಿ–2, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಗೃಹ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಇವರ ಕಾರ್ಯಾಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಪರೀಶೀಲನೆಗಾಗಿ ಇಡಲಾಗಿದೆ.

ಅನುಸೂಚಿ

ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ : ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು: ಬೈಲಹೊಂಗಲ ಹೋಬಳಿ: ನೇಸರಗಿ ಗ್ರಾಮ: ಮರಕಟ್ಟಿ

ಕ್ರ ಸಂ	ಪಹಣಿಯಂತೆ ಖಾತೆದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು		ಸರ್ವೆ/ಖಾತಾ ನಂಬರ್	ಸರ್ವೆ ಖಾತಾ ನಂಬರಿನಲ್ಲಿನ ಒಟ್ಟು ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ (ಪಹಣಿ/ಉತ್ತಾರ ಅನ್ವಯ)		ಸ್ವಾಧೀನಕ್ಕೊಳಪಡುವ ಒಟ್ಟು ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ		ತರಹೆ	ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿ/ಸರಹದ್ದು				ಷರಾ
	ಭೂಮಾಲೀಕರು / ಹಿಡುವಳಿದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು	ಅನುಭವದಾರರ ಹೆಸರು		ಕೃಷಿ / ಕೃಷಿಯೇತರ ಜಮೀನು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)	ಖರಾಬು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)	ಕೃಷಿ / ಕೃಷಿಯೇತರ ಜಮೀನು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)	ಖರಾಬು (ಎ–ಗುಂ)		ಪೂರ್ವ	ಪಶ್ಚಿಮ	ಉತ್ತರ	ದಕ್ಷಿಣ	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	ಭಾಗವಾನ ಅನಿಸಾ ನಾಶೀರುದ್ದೀನ – ಭೂ ಪ	ಭಾಗವಾನ ಅನಿಸಾ ನಾಶೀರುದ್ದೀನ – ಭೂ ಪ	21/1	8–15	0–28	7–27	0–28	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಮಾರಿಹಾಳ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಗಡಿ ಸ ನಂ.22	ಹೊನ್ನಿಹಾಳ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಗಡಿ	ಹೊನ್ನಿ ಹಾಳ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಗಡಿ	ಸ ನಂ. 21/2	
2	ಭಾಗವಾನ ಅನಿಸಾ ನಾಶೀರುದ್ದೀನ – ಭೂ ಪ	ಭಾಗವಾನ ಅನಿಸಾ ನಾಶೀರುದ್ದೀನ – ಭೂ ಪ	21/2	8–16	0–29	7–27	0–29	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ 22	ಹೊನ್ನಿಹಾಳ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಗಡಿ, ಸಿದ್ಧಾಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಗಡಿ	ಸ ನಂ 21/1	ಸ ನಂ 21/3	
3	ಭಾಗವಾನ ಅನಿಸಾ ನಾಶೀರುದ್ದೀನ – ಭೂ ಪ	ಭಾಗವಾನ ಅನಿಸಾ ನಾಶೀರುದ್ದೀನ – ಭೂ ಪ	21/2	8–16	0–29	7–27	0–29	ಖುಷ್ಕಿ	ಸ ನಂ 22	ಸಿದ್ಧಾಪುರ ಗ್ರಾಮ ಗಡಿ	ಸ ನಂ 21/2	ಸ ನಂ 18, 19, 20	
		ಒಟ್ಟು		25–07	02–06	23–01	02–06						

ಘೋಷ್ವಾರೆ

ಕ್ರ ಸಂ	ಗ್ರಾಮಗಳು	ಜಾತಾ ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ (ಎ–ಗು)		ಖರಾಬು ಎ–ಗು		ಒಟ್ಟು ವಿಸ್ತೀರ್ಣ ಎ–ಗು	
1	ಮರಕಟ್ಟಿ	23	01	02	06	25	07

(ವಿ.ಸೂ: ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ತಿಳಿಸಿರುವಂತೆ ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯುಳ್ಳವರು ತಮ್ಮ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣಾ ಅರ್ಜಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅಂಚೆ ವಿಳಾಸ ಮತ್ತು ಮೊಬೈಲ್ ನಂಬರನ್ನು ತಪ್ಪದೇ ಸ್ಪಷ್ಟವಾಗಿ ನಮೂದಿಸಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು)

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ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಗೃಹ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು

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ಗೃಹ ಆಯುಕ್ತರು, ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಗೃಹ ಮಂಡಳಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಕಗೃಮಂ/ಭೂಸ್ವಾವಿ/ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು/ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ/ಮರಕಟ್ಟಿ/43/2025–26 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 16/04/2026

ಅಧಿಸೂಚನೆ

ನಮೂನೆ–V

[ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ತಿದ್ದುಪಡಿ ನಿಯಮ–5, 20(1) (ಬಿ)]

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2. Mr. Mohd. Mazher: S/o. Mr. Mohd. Khaja, Aged about 40 years, 9-2-410/D/23, Company Bagh, Langar House, Hyderbad-500008. 3. M/s. Parkway Holdings Pvt. Ltd., Having office at No. 4C-121, 4th Cross, 2nd Main, Kasturinagar, Bangalore-560043. Represented by it's Director, Mr. P.K. Gajra. ...Defendants

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SRH pick Coetzee as replacement for Payne

Sunrisers Hyderabad announced the signing of Gerald Coetzee as a replacement for David Payne for the remainder of the IPL season ahead of their home match against Chennai Super Kings, here on Saturday English left-arm pacer Payne, who played two games for SRH, was ruled out of the remainder of the season due to an ankle injury.

THE OUTSIDER: NORTHEAST CONNECT

Ponting thought he was a Nepali cricketer while coach Buchanan dedicated a chapter of his book to him. Ex-Pak speedster Akhtar wanted to visit his village in Nagaland and Zimbabwean Taibu was his best buddy. **Firoz Mirza** chronicles the journey of all-rounder Hokaito who single-handedly brought Nagaland on the cricketing map...

HAILING from Thahekhu village of Dimapur district, Hokaito Zhimomi doesn't even remember when he first started playing cricket. All he remembers is that his mother, Atula Zhimomi, initiated him into the sport. An avid cricket fan, she used to listen to radio commentary. Having played various sports in her school days, Atula later worked as a government teacher before quitting the job so that she can bring up her four children with Hokaito being the eldest among two sons and as many daughters.

Her love for sports and maybe the sacrifice she had to make might have prompted Atula to encourage Hokaito to become a cricketer. "Those days when we didn't have a TV back home, she used to listen to cricket commentary. I don't even remember how old I was then? But it was she who wanted me to become a cricketer," the 39-year-old all-rounder from Nagaland told this daily. Hokaito can't help but get a rude shock whenever he revisits those days and tries to understand what must have made his mother to chart a path for her eldest child, which no one from the state had dared to tread. "I still wonder how they (mother and father late Huzheto Zhimomi, who retired from Forest Department) encouraged me to play the sport given the non-existent facilities in the state at that time. I must say it was a very bold decision. It was my mother, who made me bowl with my left arm despite me being a right-hander. I don't know why but she always said different combinations work."

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Hokaito started his club career with Flamingos in Dimapur, which is owned by Watinuksung Jamir, a businessman and incumbent joint secretary of the Nagaland Cricket Association. But before that Hokaito witnessed a flurry of rejections from various clubs in his village because of his age. "I was the smallest among them and they were afraid I might get injured. So they never used to include me in the team. Every time I used to come back home heartbroken. This made my father to form a club and give opportunities to young and talented players like me. It was named Hero Ranger Club. We took part in tournaments in Assam as well and made a name for ourselves by winning a few of the competitions beating boys quite bigger than us." As he grew up, a similar initiative was taken by Jamir to allow him to make a transition to the professional level. "Uncle Wati gave me that first opportunity to play for his club (Flamingos) at a professional level. I took up the game seriously after I joined his club."

SUNDAY SPECIAL

By the time he turned 14 or 15, Hokaito realised he had to move out of Nagaland if he wished to pursue the game seriously. The parents relented but gave him one year time. He moved to Guwahati, Assam and joined Nawab Ali Coaching Centre. "I stayed in as a PG there. In the very first year, I got selected to play for Assam Blues Club. We were scheduled to travel to the United Kingdom and we went to Kolkata to procure visas. That didn't work out but it gave me a broader horizon. My uncle Kitto Zhimomi was then posted as Income Tax Commissioner in West Bengal and he advised me to move to Kolkata. I stayed with him during my initial days in Kolkata. He helped me in all possible ways and without him I would not have achieved whatever little I managed to do." Soon, he started playing for clubs in the city and his exploits with the bat and ball meant he found a place in the Bengal U19 team with Manoj Tiwary and Wriddhiman Saha being his teammates.

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MANY OF HIS FIRSTS

- 1st Naga to play Ranji Trophy
- 1st Naga to lead the Northeast Zone team in Duleep Trophy
- 1st Naga to play for Bengal U19
- 1st Naga to play for Assam in the Ranji Trophy

DOMESTIC CAREER

	FC	List-A	T20
M	37	30	32
R	1285	318	272
HS	177	72 n.o	55 n.o
100s	2	0	0
50s	5	1	1
Wkts	1	9	3

In 2008, Indian cricket changed for the better as the BCCI launched the Indian Premier League. The league turned out to be a launching pad for many and Hokaito was one of the beneficiaries. "As I was a pace-bowling all-rounder, Kolkata Knight Riders called me for trials. I featured in one of the intra-squad matches where Ricky Ponting was my captain. I might have missed out on an opportunity to play for them but then coach John Buchanan made sure I remained part of the extended team for the full season. It was a learning curve. Before that I used to watch all these stars on television but now I was rubbing shoulders with them. There was Ponting, Brendon McCullum, Shoaib Akhtar, Umar Gul. But I grew quite close to Tatenda Taibu, former Zimbabwe captain. Somehow we were always on the same page and that made us close friends."

Given his distinct physical features, he was mistaken as a citizen of Nepal by Ponting. "He thought I was from Nepal and was quite surprised when I told him that I am an Indian citizen. In fact, Ponting and Shoaib wanted to visit Nagaland. The Pakistan pacer was insistent on visiting my state but somehow I convinced him to give up the plan." During his days with KKR, even the co-owner Shah Rukh Khan used to call him by his name. Coach Buchanan was always effervescent in his praise for him and even dedicated a chapter to him in his book terming Hokaito a champion. "I too have heard about it but never got the chance to read the book."

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The stint with KKR might have given him a chance to ply his trade with the greatest of the game but it could not find him a place in the Bengal senior team. "I waited endlessly for my chance to play first-class cricket for Bengal but that never happened. Finally I decided to move to Assam as a professional. I made my debut against Tripura and became the first Nagaland cricketer to play first-class cricket. After representing them for six years, I returned to my home state. In the due course of time, I led the Northeast team in the Duleep Trophy becoming the first Naga to do so."

Hokaito is also one of the few sportspersons from Nagaland, who managed their way into the General Knowledge book of Class VI students of the state. Hokaito also completed Level A in coaching in 2018 and cleared Level B examinations when he took a break from cricket for personal reasons in the 2025-26 season. But his playing days are not over yet. "I have informed the Nagaland Association about my intention to play again. I will feature in local tournaments to reclaim my spot in the team for the next season," signed off Hokaito.

He might have crossed various uncharted territories in the last 25 years, carving a niche for himself and Nagaland in the process, but Hokaito is not yet ready to hang his boots. Who knows how many new chapters he will add to his book by the time he finally calls it quits.

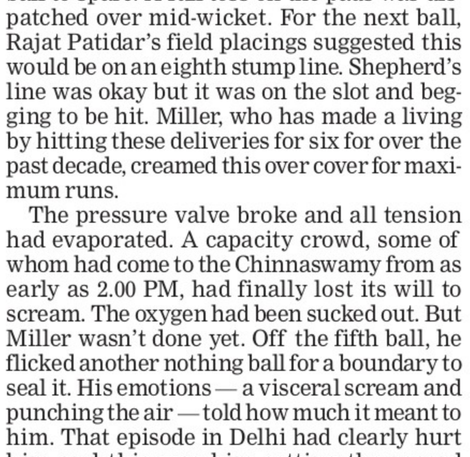
Miller finishes job after Stubbs show

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Bengaluru

THE last time David Miller decided to take an Indian Premier League (IPL) match to the last ball, Delhi Capitals lost a game they should have at least taken into a Super Over. Against Gujarat Titans in Delhi on April 8, Miller opted against running a single off the fifth ball of the 20th over. He backed himself to hit a two off the final ball but the visitors stole a thrilling heist.

Against Royal Challengers Bengaluru on Saturday evening, in front of a packed crowd at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium, it was approaching squeaky bum time with Miller in the middle. This time, the South African delivered when the odds were against him. Needing 13 off the final four balls, the southpaw climbed into a very friendly brand of medium pace from Romario Shepherd to clinch the match for the visitors with six wickets and a ball to spare. A full-toss on the pads was dispatched over mid-wicket. For the next ball, Rajat Patidar's field placings suggested this would be on an eighth stump line. Shepherd's line was okay but it was on the slot and begging to be hit. Miller, who has made a living by hitting these deliveries for six for over the past decade, creamed this over cover for maximum runs.

The pressure valve broke and all tension had evaporated. A capacity crowd, some of whom had come to the Chinnaswamy from as early as 2.00 PM, had finally lost its will to scream. The oxygen had been sucked out. But Miller wasn't done yet. Off the fifth ball, he flicked another nothing ball for a boundary to seal it. His emotions — a visceral scream and punching the air — told how much it meant to him. That episode in Delhi had clearly hurt him and this was him setting the record straight.Bought at the base price of ₹2cr at the last auction, it showed how teams had stopped valuing his presence in the middle at the end. For a finisher aged 36, that in itself would have come as a punch to the gut. In 2025, he was signed by Lucknow for ₹7.5 cr. This was of course a player who had cost Punjab ₹12.5cr in the past. This is the Miller Delhi will want going forward. Delhi's third win of the season also ensured that the peloton wouldn't lose touch with the early pace-setters. **Brief scores:** RCB 175/8 in 20 ovs (Salt 63; Axar 2/18, Kuldeep 2/32) **lost to** DC 179/4 (Stubbs 60 n.o, Rahul 57; Bhuvneshwar 3/26).



David Miller rose to the occasion on Saturday | KEVIN NASHON

SUPER SUNDAY

Punjab King face Lucknow Super Giants while Rajasthan Royals take on Kolkata Knight Riders. A look...

Change in Kolkata?

From captaincy to batting line-up to team composition, not a single thing have gone in favour of KKR. At some point, the franchise may look at change of guard, including captain Ajinkya Rahane. CSK signed replacements mid season last year, this could be the time for KKR.

RR seek turnaround

They suffered first defeat of the season against Sunrisers Hyderabad. SRH showed the top-heavy nature of RR batting and KKR will look to exploit it. But RR will be hoping Vaibhav Sooryavanshi and Yashasvi Jaiswal step up once again.

Shreyas show continues

Shreyas Iyer took the IPL by storm as PBKS captain last season and he has only gotten better since. He came in knowing full well only a trophy could take him back into Indian team and stepped up with the bat, on the field and tactically to keep PBKS on course.

KKR vs RR, Eden Gardens, 3.30PM

PBKS vs LSG, New Chandigarh, 7.30PM

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EXPRESS READ

Kerala Blasters stun Jamshedpur in ISL

KOCHI: Kerala Blasters FC produced a commanding first-half display to defeat Jamshedpur FC 2-0 in Indian Super League at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Kochi on Saturday. Goals from Nihal Sudheesh and substitute Vibin Mohanan ensured all three points for the hosts, who were resolute at the back with goalkeeper Arsh Shaikh delivering a standout performance to preserve a clean sheet.
Nihal Sudheesh was adjudged the Player of the Match.

Syndrela wins U-19 title, completes rare double

DEHRADUN: Syndrela Das capped a remarkable run by defeating Divyanshi Bhowmick 4-1 in the U-19 singles final, bringing the curtain down on the girls' team events in the first leg of the Junior and Youth National Table Tennis Championships here. With this victory, Syndrela completed a rare double, having already secured the Under-17 singles crown at the same championships. The paddler from West Bengal added to her earlier silver at the Senior National Championships in Indore.

Chotrani goes down to World No 19 Masotti

HAMBURG: India's Veer Chotrani went down to French fourth seed Baptiste Masotti in a five-game thriller in the men's quarterfinals of the Hamburg Open, a PSA Bronze-level event here. Chotrani, ranked world No 47, recovered twice to take the contest down to the wire before the French world No 19 clinched the decider for a 12-10, 9-11, 14-12, 9-11, 11-6 victory in 69 minutes. Abhay Singh, Ramit Tandon and Joshna Chinappa bowed out on Thursday.

Abhishek & Klaasen help SRH win

ENS @ Hyderabad

FIFTIES from Abhishek Sharma (59) and Heinrich Klaasen (59) helped Sunrisers Hyderabad beat Chennai Super Kings by ten runs on Saturday. SRH posted 194/9 before restricting CSK to 184/8, with Eshan Malinga taking 3/29.

Earlier, opting to field first, CSK had left out Akeal Hosein for Matthew Short after Khaleel Ahmed was ruled out of the season due to injury. And for a while, it seemed like that move could cost CSK with both Abhishek and Travis Head hitting a flurry of boundaries. So much so that Short went for 25 runs in one over as Abhishek hgit a 15-ball fifty. SRH had cruised to 75 runs in 5.4 overs, and looked set for a big total. Then, Mukesh Choudhary struck twice in two balls to push back. With Overton removed Abhishek and soon CSK pulled things back. From thereon, it was just a catching up game as CSK bowlers kept things tight. Klaasen tried to take it deep and even hit a half-century. However, before he could kick on in the death overs, Kamboj sent him back. With Chennai bowlers chipping in regularly, breaking partnerships, Sunrisers could only manage 194/9. In the last three overs, Hyderabad scored only 17 runs and lost four wickets. **Brief scores:** SRH 194/9 in 20 ovs (Abhishek 59, Klaasen 59; Kamboj 3/22) **bt** CSK 184/8 in 13.2 ovs (Mhatre 30; Malinga 2/11).

SRH opener Abhishek Sharma celebrates his fifty | SRI LOGANATHAN VELMURUGAN

Spurs remain in EPL danger zone after draw

AGENCIES @ London

TOTTENHAM remained in the relegation zone after conceding a late goal against Brighton in the Premier League.

Spurs were leading 2-1 and were briefly out of relegation zone until Georgino Rutter scored in injury time to help Brighton earn a point. Earlier, Pedro Porro and Xavi Simons had scored for Spurs. Kaoru Mitoma had scored Brighton's opening goal.

Meanwhile, Leeds beat Wolves 3-0 to open up a eight-point cushion in the battle for survival. Leeds all but secured their top-flight status. Two goals in two first-half minutes from James Justin and Noak Okafor pushed Wolves to the brink of relegation before Dominic Calvert-Lewin's penalty in stoppage time rounded off the scoring. Bournemouth piled more pressure on Eddie Howe's future as Newcastle manager with a 2-1 win. **Results:** Brentford **0-0** Fulham; Leeds **3-0** Wolves; Newcastle **1-2** Bournemouth.

Coventry earn promotion

Coventry secured promotion to the EPL as the Championship leaders' 1-1 draw against Blackburn ended their 25-year exile from the top-flight.

KAUR AND CO SEEK 1ST WIN

After losing the first T20I, India will be keen to bounce back against South Africa. A look...

Eyes on spinners

While both Shreyanka Patil and N Sree Charani had impressive returns in first T20I, expect them and Deepti Sharma to have a bigger role to play in the day game.

Sune in focus

Sune Luus is yet to nail the spot as an opener. As the team management continues to experiment, Luus will have to do a lot more to keep her place at the top.

SA vs India, Durban | Live on Star Sports and JioHotstar, 5.30 PM

ATHLETICS

Over 90 per cent tracks in India are substandard: Sumariwalla

CHANDRA PRABHU @ Chennai

AS the top brasses of the Athletics Federation of India (AFI) rounded off a 'gruelling' two-day Annual General Meeting (AGM) in Kohima, a few landslide reforms were put forth, including SRY gene tests for athletes competing in women categories and the obtaining of DNA samples to study athletes' muscle compositions.

While these reforms may help Indian athletics progress, one of the shocking revelations that the body has to address is the conditions of running tracks in the country. AFI spokesperson and World Athletics vice-president Adille Sumariwalla said that 'more than 90 per cent of the tracks' in India are 'substandard.' "We had a meeting with World Athletics in Tokyo (last year). It was very evident from them that they were not happy with the quality, being certified. So AFI will now help in certifying and ensuring that all standards of measurement and quality are met," Sumariwala said on Saturday. The AFI, until instructions from the world body, were not involved in the tracks. For the record, according to the World Athletics website as on November 5, 2025, there are at least eight 'class 1' tracks and more than 100 'class-2' certified tracks in the country. "From now, we (AFI) will have to get involved because World Athletics has called us and said, 'you need to get involved.' They showed us some data, which was quite shocking. The material used is substandard, the process is substandard, the granules used are substandard. The laying methodology is substandard, so the thickness is substandard. Instead of polyurethane, at places tire rubber is being used. There are various things that are issues with 90-plus percent of the tracks, including the measurements," he said. The state athletic bodies are responsible for the upkeep of the tracks. For venues owned by the central government, the Sports Authority of India (SAI) is responsible for maintaining the tracks. Sumariwalla said that there have been no proper vendors in providing quality material. "What is happening is that a lot of people are fly-by-night, they're not even proper vendors. We will probably come out with a list of vendors who are genuine names worldwide and substances are to be used."

Full story: newindianexpress.com

HIGHLIGHTS FROM AGM

SRY gene-testing

The mandatory gene-testing for women athletes, which was announced in the World Athletics Championships last year, will be a one-time test which will be taken by AFI. A test will cost the federation ₹3500.

2 the AFI will bid to host two international (U20 worlds and 2031 worlds) and Asian (relays and indoor athletics) meets each

More regional meets & push for int'l events

Just like the European model, the AFI is trying to have more regional meets where athletes need not travel long distances to participate.

DNA testing

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